

FORECAST—Winds, shifting to southeast, becoming fresh; cloudy; not much change in temperature. Sunday, east to south-east winds; cloudy; becoming unsettled.
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'Ghosts' Trail British Bomber Diving on Berlin



The sketch above was drawn by Capt. Bryan de Grineau, staff artist of the London Illustrated News, after a visit to a Royal Air Force operations airbase. An R.A.F. pilot just returned from a bombing raid told the story which became the subject of the sketch and which Capt. de Grineau relates here.

During a recent Royal Air Force raid on Berlin the pilot of one of the British heavy bombers found himself in a warm corner. He had just located his target, a power station, when his aircraft was picked up by one of the German "cones of light."

These are formed by a dozen or more searchlights whose beams, slanting toward one another, all meet at a certain point.

It was in one of these dazzling, glaring pools that the pilot found himself, and as he sought a way out, the enemy's anti-aircraft batteries opened an intense fire on him.

He attempted to escape into the clouds, the shells burst steadily closer. The searchlights held him inexorably. He decided to dive. Down came the nose of the big bomber and it swept into a shallow dive. Twelve thousand feet—

11-10-9-8—the power station was rushing up to meet them, a beautifully placed target.

"Suddenly," said the pilot, "I glanced round and got the surprise of my life. There around me were four or five other aircraft, all of them apparently diving in formation with me. Keeping their distance, they accompanied me on all sides."

"For a few seconds I was amazed—then I realized what it

was. The searchlights, still following me, were throwing hard black shadows of my own machine against the clouds on all sides of me, and it was my own shadow, many times repeated, that was providing this escort of diving ghosts."

The dive ended; the bomb-aimer let go a stick of high explosives on the power station, and the aircraft, finally eluding the searchlights, headed safely for home.

Eyewitness Tells How Italians Ran From British Warships

The following eyewitness account of the naval battle in the Mediterranean was written by a correspondent of Reuter's news agency.

ABOARD A BRITISH CRUISER IN THE MEDITERRANEAN (CP-Reuters)—Italian warships, the sun glinting on their steel sides, were visible on the horizon ahead and the war's biggest naval engagement was about to begin.

A broad-shouldered sailor on the pom-pom deck, a wide grin on his face, said "the Italians are going to get it this time if they don't run home to mother before we can get at them."

The words typified the spirit of the navy as the British warships plunged ahead at top speed the morning of November 27 to engage what was known to be a superior enemy.

On the horizon were at least two enemy battleships, seven cruisers and about 12 destroyers. Our battle line consisted of the cruiser Berwick, a number of other cruisers and destroyers, the battlecruiser Renown and a battleship.

Battle Flag On Every Ship

The aircraft carrier Ark Royal brought the first word that Italian warships had been sighted 20 miles off the Sardinia coast. "Hoist battle pennants," came the signal from the flagship Renown. Promptly the silken ensigns were floated from masts right down the battle line.

About noon the masts of the enemy's ships were visible to the naked eye. The enemy opened fire first. From the after bridge I saw the evil spurt of flame from the enemy craft and a few seconds later waterspouts appeared into the air short of the British cruisers.

Decks Vibrate As Shells Fired

Through the cotton wool stuffed in my ears, I heard dull booms. Then appeared clouds of orange smoke billowing from the turrets of two of the British cruisers. Suddenly the deck of this cruiser seemed to jump and the whole ship shuddered as guns of the fore turrets, with a deafening roar, sent shells screaming over the 20,000 yards of water separating our ships from the foe.

The whole cruiser squadron now was in action. With coils of smoke which almost hid the ships were marked eerily with red flame as the guns hurled salvoes at the enemy. The sea around the Italian ships was alive with leaping feathery waterspouts.

\$100,000,000 LOAN BY U.S. TO CHINA

WASHINGTON (AP)—President Roosevelt announced today that the United States would grant the Chinese government a credit of \$100,000,000.

In addition, the White House made public a letter to the President from Jesse H. Jones, federal loan administrator, saying an R.F.C. subsidiary, the Metals Reserve Company, was arranging for additional purchases of strategic materials from China valued at \$60,000,000.

Of the \$100,000,000, the President said a credit of \$50,000,000 would be made to China for general purposes.

(See story of Japan's signing of "peace" with Wang puppet government, on page 2.)

The other \$50,000,000, he added, would be allocated in the near future "for purposes of monetary protection and management as between American and Chinese currencies."

10,000,000!

TORONTO—Ten million copies of the pamphlet, "End of Nazism" were printed here, the police learned today. The pamphlet, which denies the Catholic faith and has been declared illegal under the Defence of Canada Regulations, has been distributed at night from coast to coast by outlawed Jehovah's Witnesses.

'Mare Nostrum'



Gun flashes stabbed out from the enemy squadrons now on a parallel course to the port side of the British ships. Shells plunged into the sea around the cruisers, kicking up columns of water.

Thirty feet away below the after bridge the muzzles of six guns were elevated at extreme range to pound the foe. As they belched high velocity shells I was stunned and dazed by the fearful noise. I felt as if my face and chest were being buffeted by heavy bolsters.

Italian Cruiser Seen on Fire

The British ships were concentrating their fire on a cruiser and a destroyer which began to lay a smoke screen. Later the cruiser was reported on fire and our ships concentrated their salvos on another cruiser.

Everyone on the after bridge of this cruiser ducked as two enemy shells screamed overhead and smashed into the sea. They ducked again as a salvo nearby sent shell fragments whistling above us.

Fifty minutes after opening fire the enemy had nearly disappeared over the horizon, running for the shelter of the coast and shore batteries. The order to cease fire was given.

Aircraft Carrier Gives Hot Fire

Later in the afternoon 10 enemy planes attempted to raid two capital ships and were chased off by terrific anti-aircraft fire. Subsequently 14 bombers dived over at great height with the Ark Royal as their target.

As waves of bombers passed, columns of water and lurid smoke blotted out the Ark Royal from view, but when the water

subsided it could be seen she was unharmed and was still firing defiantly at the retreating airplanes.

Darkness brought the dramatic day to a close and the British warships quietly steamed back to port.

Mussolini's Aides Cling to Story

ROME (AP)—The Italian naval ministry asserted today that the British Admiralty statement of the sea fight off Sardinia Wednesday was a "tissue of deliberate lies," and said:

"We affirm once more that only the destroyer Lanciere was hit in the fight and no other—we say no other—ship was touched in the least."

(The Admiralty announced an Italian battleship was hit and three cruisers and two destroyers damaged.)

British Disperse Enemy Waves

Few Day Raiders Reach London

LONDON (CP)—The Nazis came back at London today with one of the strongest daytime attacks in recent weeks. Only a few of the hundred or more planes which crossed the Channel succeeded in getting past outer ground defences and the Royal Air Force.

GROUPS OF 30

The first of the daylight raiders came over the Thames estuary in waves of 30 planes. Anti-aircraft guns barked and fast Hurricane and Spitfire fighters zoomed to the attack, quickly breaking up the Nazi formations and forcing most of the planes back.

Some bombs were dropped in a London residential district. One hit a building and sent a small tower crashing on a taxi-

cab in a main shopping street. Pedestrians dashed to cover.

German planes also attacked a convoy flying barrage balloons. Persons on shore heard anti-aircraft fire from the ships and bomb explosions and saw high columns of water.

ATTACKS IN SOUTHEAST

The Ministries of Air and Home Security issued the following communique tonight:

"During daylight today enemy air activity has been mainly concentrated on southeast England and bombs were dropped at several places in this area."

"During the morning a small number of enemy aircraft succeeded in reaching London and dropped a few bombs. No great damage was done and the casualties were few."

"Three enemy aircraft have been destroyed today. Two of our fighters have been lost, but both pilots are safe."

NIGHT CASUALTIES

Air raid casualties in London last night were "somewhat heavier" than was at first thought, the Ministry of Home Security announced tonight.

A communique issued by the ministry did not elaborate on last night's raids in which the Nazis used upwards of 300 planes against London and the home counties, while hundreds of others struck at the Midlands and the Merseyside.

It said, however, that the attack on the Merseyside Thursday night resulted in casualties which "as a whole were not heavy."

Query on Slackers

OTTAWA (CP)—John G. Denbaker, Conservative, Lake Centre, Sask., will ask in the Commons next week how many men notified to report for compulsory military training have failed to do so.

put out, the power of the White House will be enormous. It is well for democracy—not merely for Britain—that in that White House there sits a man able from experience to weigh the sincerity and significance of Nazism, and yet able equally to assess the capacity of the world for future war."

28 MINERS DEAD IN OHIO BLAST

CADIZ, O. (AP)—At least 28—perhaps 32—miners entombed by a devastating explosion in one of Ohio's largest coal pits were given up for dead this afternoon.

"There is no question but that all are dead," said John Owens, Ohio district United Mine Workers' president, who charged "this catastrophe could have been prevented if we had adequate inspection and regulation of mines."

The War Today

By GUY RHOADES

TOTALITARIANISM

Two manifestations of totalitarian tactics drew themselves attention today, one the "peace" in China, the other the "total revenge" in Rumania.

The Japanese have accomplished one of history's most fantastic political manoeuvres. They have created a puppet government, established it in part of China where Gen. Chiang Kai-shek's forces are fighting Japan, and then declared "peace" with the puppet.

JEALOUS

The manoeuvre appeared designed primarily for home consumption. The Japanese are being pressed harder and harder by Chiang's troops and are being forced gradually to relinquish parts of conquered Chinese territory. They are believed to be casting jealous eyes on the vast oil fields of Netherlands East Indies and may even be preparing to seize them.

Japan's war in China is believed to have waned in popularity among the rank and file in Japan. Hence, it might be desirable to pretend it has ended by proclaiming loudly a state of peace with a phony government. Then while the fight against Chiang is continued—or abandoned—a new one against the Netherlands Indies might be started.

ISOLATING

Simultaneously there appeared a disposition on the part of the United States to help bolster Netherlands East Indies defences. Sentiment generally appeared to favor such a gesture and it was even suggested the United States, if the occasion arose, might grant the Indies "all aid short of war."

The second manifestation of totalitarianism apparently has brought strife-torn Rumania to the brink of civil war.

The situation had all the appearances of a German set-up to take the country over on the grounds the government "no longer is able to maintain order," the usual Nazi excuse for conquest.

TARGETS

Rumania is Europe's richest oil country and the Nazi war machine needs the fluid to keep going. Result of its occupation, if it occurs, will be to make Rumania's oil fields targets for British bombers which now, thanks to Mussolini's blunder, can reach them from bases in northern Greece.

Should Hitler take over Rumania the result might well prove highly disadvantageous to him.

FOR THE TROOPS

SUNDAY FOOTBALL, 2.30 P.M.
Rod Hill vs. Macaulay, Beacon Hill Park.

R.C.A.S.C. vs. 2nd Battalion, Canadian Scottish Regiment, at Admirals Road.

12th Field Ambulance vs. R.C.N., Athletic Park.

R.C.O.C. vs. Mary Hill, Heywood Avenue.

R.C.E. vs. R.C.A.F. Work Point.

SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENT

City of Victoria sing-song and get-together at Chamber of Commerce, 8.30 p.m.

"Open house" at Britannia Branch, Canadian Legion, View Street, 2 to 9 p.m.

Salvation Army Three Services Canteen, Broad Street, "open house," afternoon and evening.

Knights of Columbus, Esquimalt, entertainment, 8.30 p.m.

Presbyterian Church Hostel, 1280 Park Terrace, Esquimalt.

"Emmaus," hostel of Soldiers' and Airmen's Christian Association, 2024 Belmont Avenue, "open house," all day; Bible reading, 2.30 p.m.

Final Bulletins

Revolution Sweeps Bessarabia

BUCHAREST (AP)—A diplomatic communication received here tonight said revolution had broken out in Bessarabia, which Rumania ceded to Soviet Russia, and that there had been widespread deaths and injuries.

30 Kill Themselves

BUCHAREST (AP)—All 30 of the Iron Guardists who participated in the Jilava prison assassinations of 64 persons high in King Carol's regime were reported reliably tonight to have "committed suicide."

Riders Win

TORONTO (CP)—Rolling downhill with apparently inexhaustible power in the last quarter, Ottawa Rough Riders pushed over a touchdown by big Dave Sprague to whip Toronto Balmy Beach 8 to 2 today in the first game of their total-points playoff for the eastern Canada and the Canadian Rugby Union Football championship.

Hide and Seek

TAMPICO (AP)—Two German freighters, the Idarwald and the Rhein, were somewhere in the Gulf of Mexico today making their second attempt to run the British blockade. Their position was unknown on shore this afternoon.

Jap General Killed

TOKYO (CP)—The war office disclosed today that Major-General Nobuchi Kusunoki, head of aviation headquarters at the war office, and five other men were killed yesterday when their plane crashed on a mountain in a dense fog while circling over Kalg, Korea.

Saguenay Makes Rescue

LONDON (CP)—Officers and crew of the Canadian destroyer Saguenay were thanked today by Norway for rescuing the crew of the torpedoed Norwegian freighter Cubano.

The thanks were communicated by the Norwegian Minister to London through Vincent Massey, Canadian High Commissioner in London.

Destroyer Hit, Reaches Port

LONDON (CP)—The British warship damaged in yesterday's fight in the English Channel against Nazi warships was the destroyer Javelin, on board which was Captain Lord Louis Mountbatten, officer in command of the flotilla. The Javelin is now safely in port, an official announcement stated tonight.

No other British ship was damaged. "It has not been possible to establish with certainty the extent of damage inflicted by our gunfire," said the communique, "but the enemy was seen to be repeatedly hit."

(The Javelin, 1,920 tons, was completed less than a year ago.)

Empress Sailing Off

SHANGHAI (AP)—Sailing of the Canadian Pacific liner Empress of Asia, scheduled to leave here for Victoria and Vancouver late in December, has been canceled, it was learned today.

Cancellation of the scheduled December 1 sailing of the Empress of Russia was disclosed yesterday and Britain was said to need the two ships for war purposes. Many Americans had booked passage on them.

Shipyard Strike Ends

KINGSTON, Ont. (CP)—Two hundred men who walked off the job at the Kingston Shipbuilding Company's yard on Thursday morning, it was announced this afternoon by Don Wilgar, secretary of Local 210 of the International Union of Boilermakers and Iron Shipbuilders.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Christmas Bazaar, Saturday. December 7, in the King's Daughters' rooms, Hibben-Bone Building, Government Street, sponsored by the Victoria King's Daughters' organization. Tea, home cooking, novelties, needlework, candy, etc.

Christmas Bazaar, St. Matthias Church Hall, Foul Bay, Thursday, December 5, 2.30. Interesting gifts, novelties and tea.

Guild of Friendship presents concert Tuesday, December 3. Memorial Hall, 8 p.m. Proceeds Cathedral Sewing Circle sending comforts overseas.

J. H. LePage, optometrist. Bank of Toronto Building, 1405 Douglas. Phone E 1711.

Kathleen Irvine, A.T.C.M., A.T.C.L., experienced teacher of piano, voice. Special quick course for adult beginners. Studio, Arcade Building, Broad Street. Phone E 2961.

Ladies' Aid Church of Our Lord will hold Christmas bazaar Wednesday, December 4, in Criddle Memorial Hall, Humboldt and Blanshard.

Ladies of the Fairfield United Church will hold Christmas bazaar Wednesday, December 4, at 3 p.m. in the church hall.

Lecture and Discussion Club. Monday, December 2, 8.15 p.m. Y.W.C.A. Subject, "The Bona parte Family." Speaker, Madame A. B. Vivien. Admission 35c, students 25c.

Major John Hebban Gillespie Chapter, I.O.D.E., winner of dressed doll No. 172.

Overseas League Annual Meeting — Monday, December 2, at 3 p.m. Empress Hotel.

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Runaway Sale Wednesday. December 4, at 735 Pandora Avenue, Daughters of Nile. Doors open 8.30 a.m.

Sponcer's W.A. dance, Tuesday. December 3, in the Chamber of Commerce, dancing 9 to 1 to Len Acres' orchestra. Tickets 50c each. Proceeds for the purchase of wool for war work.

The annual meeting of Women's Conservative Association will be held Thursday, December 5, at 8 p.m., 104 Union Building.

Wool Ball, lower lounge, Empress Hotel, Thursday, December 5. Proceeds Royal Bride Chapter, I.O.D.E., wool fund. Tickets \$2 couple, obtainable from hotel or E 3787.

Women's Canadian Club, Empress Hotel, Tuesday, December 3, at 2.45. Speaker, Richard Finnie. Subject, "Canada's Golden North." Soloist, Miss Dorothy Parsons. Membership fees due. Show new card at door.

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Bremen Naval Shipyard Blasted

R.A.F. Bombers Again Rake Cologne

LONDON (CP)—For the third successive night Royal Air Force bombers centred their attack on Cologne, important industrial centre and inland port in western Germany, last night.

Besides docks and other installations at the Rhine port, communications were attacked in the Cologne raid, a communique from the Air Ministry said.

A secondary objective was found in the naval shipyards at Bremen, where German building is in progress in an attempt to replace the heavy war losses of the German navy.

On the invasion coast, Boulogne and Le Havre were bombed, while a number of enemy-occupied airdromes were attacked.

No British planes were lost in all these operations.

GERMAN CLAIMS

BERLIN (AP)—The German high command's communique today said:

"In addition to a small factory again hit, several houses were damaged, two persons seriously and several slightly wounded in attacks by British planes in northern and western Germany last night."

"Four enemy planes were shot

down yesterday, two in an air fight and two by anti-aircraft. Two of our own planes are missing."

(Five German aircraft were shot down over Britain yesterday. Two British planes were lost.)

Anti-spy Moves In U.S. Widened

WASHINGTON (AP)—Methods evolved by Britain for fighting espionage and sabotage under war-time conditions are being studied by the Federal Bureau of Investigation for guidance in tightening the "peace-time" defences against foreign agents in this country.

A two-man mission was sent to Britain several weeks ago, it was learned today.

The men, whose names were withheld, will return about the first of the year. They will summarize their findings for use in the National Police Academy, F.B.I. institution in which police officers from all sections of the country are given intensive three-months' courses in law-enforcement.

Italians at Porto Edda Reported Cut Off

Greeks Drive Toward Albania Coast

ATHENS (AP)—The Greek high command reported new gains today in the drive north of Konispolis, toward Porto Edda, Albania, where some Italian forces were believed cut off from retreat by Greek operations farther north around the embattled Fascist base at Argirocastro.

The high command said the advances put Greek troops in command of new positions "at various parts of the front"—especially north of Konispolis.

Two Italian cannon, large numbers of automatic guns and many prisoners were reported taken.

The high command's communique made no specific mention of the operations at Argirocastro (which the Italians said still was held by their troops), or north of Pogradetz, at the opposite end of the battlefield (where Italian reports said their reinforced troops were counter attacking).

Air Warfare Daily Widened

The communique told of heightened air activity on both sides of the front.

Enemy Submarine Sunk by Greeks

The Greek destroyer Aetos was reported to have sunk an Italian submarine by depth bombing after the submarine had fired two torpedoes at a convoy. The torpedoes missed.

A Home Security Ministry communique today said:

"Enemy aviation yesterday bombed:

"1 Argostoli, Cephalonia, no casualties, slight damage; St. John's Church destroyed.

"2 Levkas and rural districts in Xantho, no damage or casualties.

"The number of casualties among the civilian population as

a result of enemy raids during the first month of the war, between October 28 and November 28, is as follows:

"About 604 dead. Of these 274 were women, 120 children and 32 babies.

"Wounded—1,070, of whom 425 were women, 147 children and 58 babies.

"About 1,200 houses wrecked in towns and villages; houses in danger of collapsing and therefore uninhabitable are unnumbered.

"Six schools were hit by bombs, also seven hospitals, four clinics, one prison, one lunatic asylum and nine churches."

Italians Tell Of Counter-attacks

ROME (AP)—An Italian high command communique today said:

"On the Greek front, our troops tenaciously opposed enemy attacks, and at some points launched effective local counter-attacks. The Ferrara division and Guida cavalry regiment deserve particular mention.

"Two air squadrons were employed all day long in bombard-



BOMBED THREE TIMES IN THREE NIGHTS—This picture indicates how close to Cologne Cathedral British bombs have been raining down. In their great attack on Wednesday night heavy R.A.F. bombers concentrated for two hours on the network of railway lines on both sides of the Hohenzollern Bridge, shown at the left.

Petite Drum Majorette



There seems to be no limit to the cosmopolitan appeal of Victoria. Latest visitors to this city who have decided to make their homes here are Mr. and Mrs. Neil Black MacWhinnie and Miss Nellie Small of Saskatoon, who were formerly well-known in international vaudeville circuits as Black and Small.

"I was here about 20 years ago," said Mr. MacWhinnie, in a soft Glaswegian accent, "and decided then that some day I would return for good and here I am."

Miss Nellie Small is famous throughout Canada and the United States as the petite, vivacious drum majorette of the Saskatoon Girls' Pipe Band, which two years ago led the good will Three Nations Cavalcade from Prince Albert to Juarez, Mexico, marking the opening of International U.S. Highway 85. It was the first time that representatives from cities of the three principal North American nations marched together across the Mexican-American boundary. The band, accompanied on its transcontinental trip by Lieutenant-Governor Archie McNab of Saskatchewan, gave dancing and music exhibitions in 75 American cities, afterwards appearing at the New York World's Fair, the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto and more recently at the San Francisco Fair.

Miss Small has brought to Victoria with her all the colorful band uniforms of Lord Buchan and bagpipes. It is possible she may organize another band here similar to the famous Saskatoon Girl Pipers.

No Quick Turnover Japanese Admit

TOKYO (AP)—Yakichiro Suma, Japanese foreign office spokesman, today said the Tokyo-Nanking "peace pact" would make no immediate change in the military situation in China.

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A.R.P. ACTIVITIES

Oak Bay Wardens, District 1B, met on Wednesday in the Municipal Hall, under District Warden W. R. Riddington. About 35 present. Chief Constable H. Reston of Oak Bay lectured on "Police Work and its Relationship to the A.R.P. Wardens' duties in case of emergency." He emphasized the close collaboration and co-operation necessary between the wardens and the police. It was decided by the members that a first aid class commence immediately after the New Year. The next regular meeting will be on December 11.

Now that a number of the districts are completing their first aid instruction, examinations will be held. Lecture courses on anti-gas will follow. A central meeting place is being arranged, so that wardens from all parts of the Metropolitan Area can assemble once a week to carry on with practices and lectures.

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draw their armies from China within two years after the fighting ends, "with the exception of troops stationed in accordance with the treaty."

The Nanking government pledged to compensate Japan for damages to Japanese rights and interests "suffered because of the China incident." Details of such reparations were left to be worked out later.

The Wang puppet government was set up March 29, 1940, under Japanese auspices in opposition to the Chiang government, whose guerilla forces apparently were responsible for dynamiting a Japanese-operated train bound for Nanking yesterday. Between 100 and 400 passengers were reported killed or injured.

Chiang Kai-shek ignored a "last exhortation" sent him by the puppet government asking him to declare an armistice with Japan. The Chungking spokesmen have declared a fight to the end with Japan.

U.S. Position Plain, Declares Hull

WASHINGTON (AP)—Secretary of State Cordell Hull said today the United States "of course continues to recognize" the Chungking government of General Kai-shek.

He made this assertion when reporters asked him for comment on the peace treaty between Japan and the Japanese-sponsored Chinese government at Nanking.

The secretary referred newsmen to what he called a basic statement made by him to the press on last March 30.

At that time Mr. Hull asserted: "The setting up of a new (Wang) regime at Nanking has the appearance of a further step in a program of one country by armed force to impose its will upon a neighboring country."

"The developments there," the statement continued, "appear to be following the pattern of other regimes and systems which have been set up in China under the aegis of an outside power and which in their functioning especially favor the interests of that outside power and deny to nationals of the United States and other third countries enjoyment

of long-established rights of equal and fair treatment which are legally and justly theirs."

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IRON GUARD STAGES Big Funeral

BUCHAREST (AP)—The Iron Guard paraded the gold coffin of its "martyred captain," Corneliu Zelea Codreanu, through the streets of Bucharest today in a funeral procession led by green-shirted Premier Ion Antonescu and Vice-Premier Horia Sima.

The body of Codreanu, the guard's founder, whose execution in 1939 now is being re-venged by the guards in a nation-wide blood purge, was taken five miles through packed streets to the Iron Guard headquarters on the city's outskirts for burial.

There were no new reports of violence in the strife-torn kingdom.

(Border dispatches earlier had indicated the Iron Guard's long-awaited day of "total revenge" might be at hand with this second anniversary of Codreanu's slaying with 13 comrades in Jilava Prison.)

German and Rumanian soldiers with bayonets fixed were among the thousands marching in a vast pageant of mourning.

King Michael was represented only by an army officer, but Hitler sent two high Nazis and Mussolini sent two Fascist dignitaries.

(Michael was reported in border dispatches to have fled Bucharest as a result of the disorder.)

There were no Britons or Americans among the diplomatic corps attending.

Bells in all Rumanian churches tolled for 30 minutes for the Codreanu services.

The full manpower of the Iron Guard was mobilized.

Several generals in the white cloak of the Order of Michael the Brave and hundreds of black-bearded priests in silken vestments walked in the procession with the green-shirted legions.

The bones of Codreanu's 13 lieutenants, also exhumed from the Jilava Prison yard, rested in simple green coffins contrasting with the captain's gold one.

Greeks Donate \$6,000

VANCOUVER (CP)—A cheque of \$6,000, raised in less than 10 days by British Columbia Greeks, is on its way to Montreal to swell a central Greek war fund, it was disclosed today.

SAANICH MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS, 1940-41

ELECTION FOR

SEVEN, nine for COUNCILLORS 7 (Seven), also for SCHOOL TRUSTEES 3 (Three), also for COMMISSIONERS OF POLICE 1 (One).

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to the electors of the Municipality of Saanich, that I require the presence of the said electors at the Council Chamber, Municipal Hall, Royal Oak, B.C., on Monday, the 3rd day of December, 1940, at 10 o'clock noon for the purpose of electing persons to represent them as School Trustees 3 (Three), as School Trustees 2 (Two), and a Commissioner of Police (Two-year term).

The mode of nomination of candidates shall be as follows: The candidates shall be nominated by two electors of the Municipality as proposer and seconder, and shall be delivered to the Returning Officer at any time between the date of the notice and two days before the date of nomination; the said nomination shall be in the form numbered 3 in the schedule of the "Municipal Elections Act," and shall state the name, residence, and occupation of each person proposed, in such manner as sufficiently to identify each candidate; and in the event of a poll being necessary, such poll shall be held on the 14th day of DECEMBER, 1940, at the following places:

For Ward 1—at Cedar Hill School, Cedar Hill Crossroad

For Ward 2—at Talmie School, on Blanshard Avenue, Gordon Head

For Ward 3—at Gordon Head School, Tyndal Avenue, Gordon Head

For Ward 4—at Women's Institute Hall, Margold Road

For Ward 5—at Royal Oak School, Royal Oak

For Ward 6—at Keating Temperance Hall, East Saanich Road

For Ward 7—at Talmie School on Albion Street, near Burnside

And such polling places will be open from EIGHT O'CLOCK A.M. to EIGHT O'CLOCK P.M. of which every person is hereby required to take notice and govern himself accordingly.

Given under my hand at Royal Oak, British Columbia, this 29th day of November, 1940.

WILFRED A. GREENE, Returning Officer.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all creditors and other persons having any claims against the estate of Annie Mary Ord, deceased, late of Victoria, British Columbia, who died on or about the 15th day of October, 1940, at Point Grey, British Columbia, administration of the undivided portion of whose estate was granted on the 24th day of November, 1940, to the Victoria Registry of the Supreme Court of British Columbia, to Rupert Leslie Cox, Official Administrator, are hereby required to send by post prepaid full particulars in writing of their claims and demands, verified by statutory Declaration, to the undersigned on or before the 30th day of December, 1940; and all parties who have any claim against the estate of the said deceased, are required to forward particulars of same to me forthwith, and that said Administrator will after the last-mentioned date proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims and demands of which he shall then have had notice.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that pursuant to Section 38 of the "Trustee Act," the said Administrator will not be liable for the assets of the said estate, or any part thereof so distributed, to any person or persons of whom claims and demands have not been received by him on or before the 30th day of December, 1940, and that he will make final distribution of the assets at the expiration of one month after the date of this notice.

DATED at Victoria, B.C. this 29th day of November, 1940.

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Plagiarism Charged

LOS ANGELES (AP)—An 80-year-old songwriter charges composer Irving Berlin, singer Kate Smith and others associated with the song "God Bless America" with plagiarism.
Alfred H. Aarons, in an action filed in federal court yesterday, claims portions of his song, "America, My Home So Fair," copyrighted in 1918, were used without his consent in the song composed by Berlin and recently popularized by Miss Smith.
Aarons asks the court to fix the amount of damages, which he estimates at several hundred thousand dollars.

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Liverpool Again Attacked

London Conquers Fires After Night Raid

LONDON (CP)—London mothers and babies escaped when the maternity ward of a London hospital was hit last night as German raiders concentrated on the capital for the first time in 10 days.

There were more than 30 persons in the ward, but only slight injuries were reported, although beds were flung on them and debris almost buried them.

Towns in southern England suffered heavily last night, with six killed in one town, several injured and much property damage. (German sources claimed about 400 tons of explosives and 36 tons of incendiaries were dropped on London during the night, in a "large-scale attack." Secondary raids were said to have been directed against Plymouth, while Italian fighters were said to have attacked Ipswich.)

The London night attack continued until 2 a.m.

For the second night, a mys-

terious, bluish-white beam of light stabbed the darkness over London, arousing speculation that it might be a "mystery weapon."

Reports were current, too, that Blenheim bombers refitted as fighters and equipped with an "ear" for detecting hostile planes were having increased success intercepting night raiders. This week's bag of German planes was said unofficially to have boosted Nazi losses over and around Britain to 3,000 since the war started.

Brigades Conquer Numerous Fires

Many fires were started in the London area by last night's bombings, but all were under control by early morning, the Air and Home Security Ministries said in a joint communique. Widespread damage to houses in the London area and "a few deaths" were disclosed in the communique.

It said lesser raids were carried out virtually to the four corners of the island kingdom and mentioned Liverpool, focus of the air attacks the night before, as visited again. However, it said, neither casualties nor damage were heavy.

Some British sources attributed the severity of the raid on London to a German hope that the capital's anti-aircraft defences had been weakened to rush guns to hard-pressed cities in the Midlands and northwest. If the Nazis entertained such thoughts they must have been unpleasantly surprised by the curtain of steel that greeted them, these sources added.

No Attempts At Formations

Abandoning formation flying, the raiders approached London from various directions and dropped flares, flare bombs and high explosive bombs.

London rooftop machine gun-

ners fired intermittently at parachute flares which fell in brilliant pairs, giving to the skyline the appearance of a sinister midday. A suburban shopping centre, hospital and movie theatre were among structures hit by bombs.

In one London district German planes roared over at the rate of two a minute. A mother and her two children were killed when six bombs demolished a housing development in a southeast coastal town. Six were known dead and others injured in a district near London.

A bomb from a single plane killed one man in an East Anglia town and injured three.

Germans Say Storehouses Hit

BERLIN (AP)—Saturday's German high command communique stated:

"The night before last and last night, London again was the target of the air force's retaliatory attacks. Large fires on

the Victoria Docks as well as in southwest London were observed.

(A British communique said "many fires were caused but few were serious.")

"Strong combat plane units, in rolling night attacks, bombed with a large number of the heaviest calibre bombs military objectives in Liverpool as well as dock facilities in opposite Birkenhead. Tremendous explosions and conflagrations in extensive storehouses lit up the night.

"Important objectives in Scotland as well as in the south of England and the Midlands, including objectives in Birmingham,

Bristol, Portsmouth and Southampton, also were bombed.

"South of Lizard Point, fighting planes attacked a convoy and damaged one merchantman which was hit by heavy calibre bombs. Mining of British ports from the air continued.

"On the afternoon of November 29, long-distance firing batteries of the army continued, according to plan, destruction of military establishments on the coast around Dover with considerable success. Army and navy long-range batteries shelled steamers in a convoy of vessels at the eastern exit of the Channel."

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Teach Obedience

VICHY (AP)—Georges Rupert, minister of public instruction in the Pétain-Laval government, has announced that France's educational system will be shaped so as to introduce "corporate authority" and "accustom children to obedience."

IMPERIAL BANK OF CANADA

66th ANNUAL REPORT

General Manager's Address to the Shareholders

The 66th Annual Meeting of Shareholders was held at the Head Office, Toronto, on November 27th. Mr. H. T. Jeffray, General Manager, addressed the Meeting.

GENERAL MANAGER'S ADDRESS

When it was my privilege to address you a year ago in connection with the Bank's affairs Canada had been at War for something less than three months. During the year just ended your Directors and the Management have felt that it was essential to keep the affairs of the Bank in a very liquid condition, not only in the interests of its shareholders and depositors, but, in order that it should be ready to meet any calls that might be made upon it in connection with Canada's War Effort. As we examine the Balance Sheet I think you will agree that the policy we decided upon has been carried out, but it did not lend itself to substantially increased earnings, and I am glad, therefore, to be able to report that after payment of taxes of \$487,882.90 an increase as compared with a year ago of \$162,000, and after payment of the usual contributions to the Pension and Guarantee Funds amounting to \$101,583.98 and after full provision for bad and doubtful debts, Net Profits were \$961,017.67—an amount only \$6,240.86 less than a year ago. From these profits the usual Dividend of \$10 a share, amounting to \$700,000 has been paid. \$150,000 has been written off Bank Premises and \$100,000 transferred to Reserve for contingencies—leaving a balance of \$1,017,677.67 carried forward, and making the total of our Profit and Loss Account \$976,831.71 as compared with \$665,634.04 on the 31st October, 1939. We consider the showing not unsatisfactory and hope that you agree.

LIABILITIES

Turning to the Balance Sheet and taking the liabilities in order—Notes in Circulation amounted to \$4,980,000, a decrease of \$327,000 as compared with October 31st, 1939. The limit of our Circulation is now fixed at \$9,250,000 and this limit will be reduced to \$4,500,000 on the 1st of January next.

DEPOSITS

Deposits by the Dominion of Canada, by Provincial Governments and by the public now total \$165,453,751, as compared with \$161,570,752 a year ago—an increase of \$3,882,999 and marking an all-time high in the history of the Bank. Deposits by the Dominion of Canada at \$11,998,310 show a reduction of \$8,000. Deposits by Provincial Governments at \$1,740,385 show an increase of \$1,413,000. Deposits by the public not bearing interest at \$49,282,273 show an increase of \$6,478,000 which appears to be attributable to increased business activity. Deposits by the public bearing interest at \$92,482,784 show a decrease of \$7,000,000 and this decrease is directly traceable to withdrawals for the Second Dominion War Loan only thirty days before the end of the Bank's year. Deposits by and balances due to other Chartered Banks in Canada and Banks and Banking Correspondents abroad total \$2,953,584, a reduction of \$934,179 as compared with last year.

These figures make a total of liabilities to the public of \$173,387,338, as compared with \$170,786,033 a year ago—an increase of \$2,601,305. Acceptances and Letters of Credit outstanding also show a substantial increase of \$2,251,578, compared with \$1,351,836 on October 31st, 1939—a further reflection of increased business activity.

ASSETS

Turning to the Assets—our Cash Holdings—including notes and deposits with the Bank of Canada, balances due from other Banks in Canada and abroad, and cheques on other Banks—total \$32,433,660, compared with \$26,485,861, an increase of \$5,947,799 and amounting to 18.7% of our total liabilities to the public, as compared with 15.5% a year ago.

Total Dominion and Provincial Securities maturing within the next two years amount to \$7,962,270, as compared with \$8,128,064 last year, and coupled with our Cash Reserves represent a total of 40.5% of public liabilities, compared with 36.5% last year, and in keeping with our policy of maintaining the Bank in a strong liquid position referred to at the commencement of my remarks.

Other Dominion and Provincial Government Securities not exceeding market value total \$28,941,310, a reduction from \$43,848,782, representing to the extent of approximately \$11,700,000, a switch to shorter date securities. Of these longer-dated securities over 85% mature in the period between three and five years, leaving something less than \$15,000,000 out of our total holdings of over \$66,000,000 of Dominion and Provincial Bonds maturing more than five years hence.

Canadian Municipal Securities and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks not exceeding market value total \$5,715,784, compared with \$6,232,441 a year ago, and of these holdings approximately 50% also mature within the next five years. This makes our readily realizable assets just over 60% of our total liabilities to the public, practically the same as they were last year.

Call and Short Loans in Canada amounting to \$5,588,189 again show a reduction this year of \$1,611,895 directly attributable to the inactivity of our security markets.

Loans to Provincial Governments at \$487,581 show a reduction of \$100,427 and Loans to Cities, Towns, Municipalities and School districts at \$5,897,500, a reduction of \$1,585,883, the result of somewhat better financing on the part of many of our Municipalities.

Current Loans and Discounts in Canada now total \$67,878,158, an increase over a year ago of \$3,797,000. During the year a number of former substantial borrowers have largely liquidated their loans for the time being, and I think the showing of an increase of the above amount in our total is not unsatisfactory.

BANK PREMISES

During the year new premises were erected at Heart and McKenzie Island, Ontario, and a new building is under erection in Toronto at Silverthorn and Rogers Roads. You will note from our Profit and Loss Account that \$150,000 was written off for depreciation of Bank Premises and the total now stands at \$5,743,114, a reduction of \$107,000, as compared with a year ago.

The remaining items in the Balance Sheet namely Non-current Loans, Real Estate other than Bank Premises, Mortgages on Real Estate and Other Assets are all carried at conservative valuations and the total shows a reduction of some \$67,000 during the year. They call for no special comment.

As the War progresses towards final victory it is to be expected that calls of one kind or another will be made on the Banks in financing War industrial activities and perhaps to some extent in Government financing. It has been the aim of the Management to keep the affairs of the Bank in such shape that we can do our part in any special calls made upon us without interfering with our regular customers and without lessening our ability to take on any new desirable business that may offer. I think after a perusal of the various items making up our Balance Sheet you will agree that this is the position today.

BRANCHES

During the year branches of the Bank were opened at West Vancouver, B.C., and at McKenzie Island (sub to Red Lake), Ontario. No branches were closed, and the total now number 165.

SHAREHOLDERS

Shareholders of the Bank as on September 30th, 1940, numbered 2,710—a decrease of one during the year, the average holding being approximately 25 shares. 6,651 of our shares are held by residents of the United States—an increase of 16 during the year. They are distributed among 311 shareholders.

STAFF

The Staff of the Bank as on October 31st, 1940 totalled 1,481, as compared with 1,417 a year ago. These figures do not include 114 members absent on active service, all of whom have been granted leave of absence for the duration of the War. This represents 9.5% of our male Staff at the outbreak of the War. The Bank in these cases is paying their contributions as well as the Bank's own contribution to the Pension Fund and has continued their Group Insurance in force. I am sure this policy will meet with your approval and we hope that they will all appear to us on active service. I might further state that our present Staff includes 96 temporary appointments, mostly young ladies, for the duration of the War, they, of course, do not enter into the Pension Fund or the Group Insurance scheme. You will readily understand that this switching of Staff has thrown heavy responsibilities on those remaining, and I wish to again take the opportunity of recording my appreciation of the manner in which every member has worked during the year in the interests of the Bank.

As is customary, reports on business conditions have been received from all branches of the Bank. Almost without exception they show increased business activity and lessened unemployment. Crops have been bountiful, and although the fruit crops of Ontario show a somewhat smaller volume an improvement in prices has largely made up for this. In the West the Wheat Crop was the largest since 1928, and only a few million bushels less than the all-time high of that year, and while the progress may appear to be slow headway is being made by our farmers. They cannot yet be said to be prosperous, but a great many are steadily improving their positions.

One feature which seems to be noticeable in the present War experience is the avoidance of extravagances by individuals such as we witnessed during the last War. The Government is giving every encouragement to thrift and to saving through the issue of War Savings Certificates and War Savings Stamps. I cannot too strongly endorse the policy as being not only in the interests of the country but of each individual citizen.

It is again my privilege to express my appreciation of the support and assistance that the Management have received during the past year from your President. His sound judgment and long experience make his advice invaluable and he is always available. Also, I would like to again express my appreciation of the consistent help that has been accorded the Management by the Chairman of the Board, the Vice-presidents and each member of the Board of Directors.

The following were elected Directors: Messrs. Frank A. Rolph, A. E. Philp, Col. J. F. Michie, R. B. Walde, C. G. Heintzman, J. W. Hobbs, Walter C. Laidlaw, John A. Northway, O. H. Atkins, K.C., Winnipeg; H. B. Sellers, Winnipeg; R. O. McCulloch, Galt, W. B. Woods, Arthur L. Bishop, E. E. Buckerfield, Vancouver; G. R. Cook, St. John's, Newfoundland.

A subsequent meeting of the Directors elected Mr. Frank A. Rolph, Chairman of the Board; Mr. A. E. Philp, President; Col. J. F. Michie and Mr. R. B. Walde, Vice-presidents.

WIDE CENSORSHIP DEBATE IN BRITAIN

LONDON (CP)—Censorship is a principal editorial topic in the British press as a result of discussion of the problem by Information Ministry officials and United States correspondents.

In a meeting here Information Ministry Alfred Duff Cooper said that security and winning the war were more important than censorship.

Reviewing the past fortnight—marked, as he said, by improvement of the Mediterranean situation and Greek resistance to a British aid—Mr. Duff Cooper expressed concern over the "press" the British cause is getting in the United States.

The chief press censor, C. J. Radcliffe, said that opinions were not censored.

A writer in the London Star said he would "court unpopularity" by saying that some of our American colleagues seem to have little understandable irritation (over censorship) unduly depresses their about our war prospects.

MAJORITY FRIENDS

The Yorkshire Post commented: "Many of the American newspaper correspondents in London have proved themselves very good friends of Britain."

"They are now exercising the friend's privilege of blunt criticism. . . . That the censorship is far from perfect no one has better cause to know than British newspapers."

The British press has explained that the German bomb "on the beam" radio guidance from the Channel ports—and that information giving the location of any particular bomb hit would facilitate "beam correction" just as artillery aim is corrected by observation.

Although relief rolls in British Columbia have gone down 50 per cent in the last year, the administrative staff has increased from 142 to 149 persons, Samuel Guthrie, C.C.F., Cowichan-Newcastle, charged in the Legislature last night.

"And you say you are practicing economy?" he asked. "This doesn't look like it to me."

Mr. Guthrie said employment of two men in the government employment office at Nanaimo was a waste of money because few men were placed in jobs through the service.

Mr. Pearson said that with relief rolls lower, relief officials were able to pay more attention to individual cases and seek jobs for them and otherwise improve their position. He said the administrative staff was actually smaller than it had been but the reduction had not kept pace with the drop in relief rolls.

The petition said also that the signers wished to "emphasize President Conant's statement that he was speaking only as a private citizen in his declaration of war, and not as a representative of Harvard University."

"The petition came as an aftermath to an address by Dr. Conant last week, in which he was quoted as saying 'If we desire to see the Axis powers defeated, then it is only a matter of strategy when, if ever, material aid must be supplemented by naval and military aid.'"

Harvard Students Want No War

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP)—A group of Harvard students marched to the office of president James Bryant Conant with a petition registering their opposition to "participation in this war."

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Under wartime conditions the ease with which poisons can be obtained constitutes a serious menace to the general safety of the Dominion, members contended. Figures presented to delegates showed that sales of poisons in druggists' shops, under regulations requiring signing of a poison register and identification of the purchaser, represent only a mere fraction of actual total poison sales.

Raider Identified As Motorship

SYDNEY (CP)—Australian naval authorities said today the enemy raider reported to have sunk 67,000 tons of shipping in the South Pacific and Indian Oceans is a 6,000-ton motorship armed with torpedo tubes and four four-inch guns.

Survivors of two of the raider's victims, the merchantmen Port of Brisbane and Malmoe, described the raider as having a raked stem, a cruiser stern and squat funnels and searchlights, leading them to believe she was a modern motorship.

Canada Gets 144 Warplanes

LOS ANGELES (AP)—A contract under which Sweden was to get 144 military combat planes from the Vultee Aircraft Corporation has been assumed by Canada.

"The original contract, was with Sweden, but because of export difficulties it was impossible to carry out the contract," a Vultee spokesman said. "The planes will be delivered to Canada and the United States government will issue the export license."

The planes are single-seaters with single motors, and are heavily armored. They are in production, but Vultee officials said they could not estimate when the order would be completed.

Student Identifies Largest Star

PASADENA, Cal. (AP)—While astronomers were busy on other problems it remained for George H. Herbig, 20, a college sophomore, to determine that Ras Algethi is the largest star to be seen in the sky.

"It is 690,000 miles in diameter, or about 800 times the diameter of the sun," says Herbig. His finding has been accepted by the Astronomical Society of the Pacific. Previously Anatares was regarded as the largest star, but Herbig computed it to be but 245,000 miles in diameter and the fourth largest.

"If Ras Algethi, brightest star in the Hercules Constellation, were hollow there would be more than enough room inside it to put the sun and the planets Mercury, Venus, Earth and Mars, all revolving on their present orbits," said Herbig.

He found that Mira, with a diameter of 395,000 miles, is second largest star, and Betelgeuse, which seems to vary in size from 260,000,000 to 369,000,000, is third.

Prisoner of War

LONDON (CP)—Pte. Arthur Edson of the Middlesex Regiment is listed as a prisoner of war in the War Office's 98th casualty list, which contains 983 names. Edson's next-of-kin is Norman Edson of Montreal.

The list is made up of 38 killed, 18 died of wounds, 43 wounded and prisoners, 6 previously reported killed now reported prisoners, 34 previously reported missing now reported prisoners, 2 previously reported missing and believed killed, now reported prisoners, and 942 prisoners.

Closer Watch On Poisons Urged

VANCOUVER (CP)—Stricter enforcement of regulations governing sale of poisons and ingredients of poison gases is urged as a wartime measure by the Council of the Pharmaceutical Association of British Columbia, which held a three-day meeting here this week.

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LICENSE CONTROL HITS DOUKHOBORS

The License Forfeiture and Cancellation Act, designed to force compliance with the national registration and other laws was introduced in the Legislature last night by Attorney-General Gordon Wisner.

It deals specifically with three offences: (1) Failing to register under National Registration Act. (2) Failing to register births of children. (3) Failure to allow children to attend school.

Under provisions of the bill licensing authorities, either provincial or municipal, may refuse to issue licenses to persons who fail to observe these regulations.

It had been previously intimated the measure is aimed at forcing Doukhobors to comply with the law. A source of trouble in the Doukhobor areas has been their failure to register vital statistics and to send their children to school.

ASKS NEW ATTITUDE TOWARD LABOR

It is high time the B.C. government took a more positive attitude toward the rights of labor to organize, Colin Cameron, C.C.F., Comox, declared last night in the Legislature.

Discussing the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act, Mr. Cameron said the government took an ambiguous position on labor rights and in effect, said to labor: Yes, you can organize, if you can get away with it.

The government, he added, was simply playing the role of an impartial referee.

"You've got to make up your mind whether organization of labor unions is a good thing or not," he said. "If it is a good thing then, the suppression of unions is an evil thing, and the government should stamp out the evil thing."

He said when the war ended, would come a great struggle for democracy between progressive thinkers and the forces of reaction. In that struggle it would be important to have powerful organizations of workers who all over the world had led the struggle for freedom and democracy in recent years.

Report Planned On Canteen Fund

Hon. G. M. Weir, Provincial Secretary, said in the Legislature yesterday he is going to get a complete report on the administration of the Canteen Fund, to which the government makes a grant of \$10,000 a year.

Dr. Weir said present trustees of the fund are men in whom he has the highest confidence. Harold Winch, C.C.F. leader, said he understood the \$10,000 vote was used merely to administer four mortgages on buildings owned by veterans.



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Sixty-six Today

PRIME MINISTER WINSTON CHURCHILL is 66 years old today. From every part of the recent world felicitations will go to him. We in Canada hope and pray that he will be spared to see the victory for which he is giving all he has and is. We hope the next year will not be so heavily laden with toil and tears and sweat, that the indomitable courage of the British people will be rewarded by an easier time, by more distinct signs of the inevitable doom awaiting the men who are gloating over the human and material wreckage they have caused and are causing. It is a great strain to which the British Prime Minister is constantly being subjected. But he is made of the right stuff. It is the bulldog in him that will pull him through. Hats off to him this day!

It Could Happen Here

ATTORNEY-GENERAL WISMER MADE one startling statement in the Legislature on Thursday night which the people of this province might do well to ponder. He said that for every 1,000 miles of territory only one member of the British Columbia Police force was available. The chief law officer was defending his request for a vote of \$10,000 to support the voluntary organization which is discharging duties closely associated with the preservation of the general safety of the domain. Here, indeed, was an item in the budget which might have been increased by a reduction of some other appropriation by a like amount.

When the Attorney-General launched his internal security plan for British Columbia last July his sole concern was the protection of life and property against such activities as unexpected developments might produce. He had carefully studied information in his possession which revealed to him the approximate number of guns of various types thought to be in the hands of aliens. With little or no difficulty he obtained the co-operation of the government at Ottawa under which a scheme for the registration of such firearms promptly took shape. As the public is well aware, of course, Mr. Wismer appealed to the veterans' organizations of the province to assist him and his police officers in the operation of machinery the law permitted him to set up under certain appropriate Dominion and provincial orders-in-council. The response was instantaneous; it provided an opportunity for loyal citizens well over the military age to do something of a practical nature, to make a useful contribution to the country's war effort.

The "force" which Mr. Wismer has seen grow from a few hundreds will eventually expand into one of probably 20,000 volunteer workers—every one fully seized with the importance of the duties for which he has been "recruited." It was natural the Attorney-General hesitated to reveal to the Legislature all the details of the organization—what has come to light since the registration of firearms has been completed, or the precise nature of safeguards considered essential to erect if full value of the information obtained is to be realized.

What the public might remember, however, is that the realities of these times emphasize how careful every citizen should be to avoid a lapse into that state of mind which nurtures the belief that "It Can't Happen Here." If the people of Denmark, Norway, Holland, and Belgium—near the scene and naturally apprehensive because they understood the Nazi outlook and philosophy—had prepared themselves against the machinations of the dangerous elements in their midst, the whole course of recent European history might have run differently. It has been the unexpected that has happened in many cases since September 3, 1939.

Yet the Attorney-General did not get a vote of \$10,000 through the Legislature for his internal security plan's maintenance and expansion without at least some objection. And, we repeat, there is only one member of the British Columbia Police on duty for every 1,000 square miles of this province's area of 386,253!

The 'New Order'

DURING THE LAST FEW DAYS THE Rumanians have witnessed samples of the "new order" which Hitler dangles as bait for Germany's neighbors to embrace the axis. The "demonstration" began when Premier General Ion Antonescu opened the gates of the strongest prison in Bucharest to permit his own or the Nazi Gestapo to seize former opponents of the Iron Guard, and slaughter them with that expedition for which totalitarian gentry are famed.

The Rumanian dictator, of course, did not admit he was a party to the "incident"—that is not the way of vainglorious Premiers—but it will be noted that he led today's funeral procession as it paraded the gold coffin of the Iron Guard's "martyred captain," Corneliu Zelea Codreanu—exhumed for state burial to serve as another form of reminder to the populace of the arrival of the "new order." To mark their jubilant feelings, their genuine appreciation that peace is about to descend upon the newly-reduced puppet state

—the peace which is "based on justice"—the gangsters of Berlin and Rome were represented at this orgy by two highly-placed Nazis and two Fascist dignitaries.

This day's business in the once proud Rumanian capital, in a country in which vicious crime in recent years has been notably conspicuous for its infrequency, is a fair sample of the state of mind to which Hitler and his lackey of Rome have been reduced. It is again typical of Teuton stupidity—the Teuton mentality which seeks to glorify horror, as if by the process the majority of the peoples of the world are to be won over to the totalitarian concept of modern progress. But, tortuous though the way may be, of course, these fantastic spectacles help to spell the eventual blackout of Nazism and Fascism.

Back-door Business

THE INFORMATION THAT BRITAIN AS well as the United States embargoes exports of gasoline and scrap iron to Japan has just been repeated in answer to a question in the British House of Commons. According to the New York newspaper PM, this has failed to soften the news that British and United States owned firms are to ship from the Dutch East Indies to Japan a vastly increased volume of oil. The annual shipments are to be increased up to 70 per cent of the average annual shipments from United States ports to Japan. This makes Japan less dependent on North American oil.

Samuel Grafton in the New York Post protests that "it is to be doubted whether this information makes a night in the subway pass more quickly" for the men and women of England seeking shelter there. Erika Mann's description of this type of appeasement is recalled: "When the house is afire, toss a couple of mattresses to the flames to appease their hunger."

Captain Torkild Reiber was forced by public opinion last summer to resign from the Texas Oil Company when it was revealed that he was dealing with Nazi agents. PM urges that public opinion should deal just as harshly with those arranging appeasement of the Nazi ally in the Orient, namely, the Standard Vacuum Oil Company and the Rising Sun Petroleum Company among others. First, because the Chinese people are fighting for what we are; second, Dutch oil shipped to Japan by British and American firms is now being used indirectly against British and American peoples and their interests.

Fantastic

JAPAN HAS HAD A LITTLE FUN ON ITS own today. At long last, but not without some misgivings, the men of Tokyo have decided they really ought to trust Wang Ching Wei, and close the deal with their own creation—the puppet government at Nanjing. So from now on the Japanese will consider themselves at "peace" with the China they will try to think can be influenced by their tool.

Nothing in history is quite so fantastic as this day's ceremonial. The whole business, of course, is for the benefit of a greatly disillusioned Japanese people who are murmuring at home. They want to know where the victory is, the victory, with great booty, which was to be theirs in a few months, not a few years.

Today's palaver would not be so ludicrous if Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek had shown the slightest signs of weakening in his determination to fight on until the invaders are "thrown back to their own land or sue for peace themselves." As the weeks pass, moreover, this piece of "new order" at Nanjing will probably be laughed out of court by those who are subservient to the renegade Wang Ching Wei.

A culinary counsel for the women's pages suggests that pie can be made dramatic. We remember the type well, in the dear, dead days of Mack Sennett.

FUTILE AND HARMFUL

From Vancouver Province
The buzz in the clubs and the chatter over the teacups concerning the fate of Commander Beard of H.M.C.S. Prince Robert has gone quite far enough, and for the sake of all concerned, Commander Beard himself, the service and the country, it had better cease.

Commander Beard, a gallant officer with a fine record, has been relieved of command, temporarily, it is hoped, on account of ill-health. It seems well established that the commander has not been in the best of health and that the strain of recent events connected with the capture of the German ship Weser has told upon him. The naval authorities, taking cognizance of these facts, are giving him a rest.

It is quite unnecessary to dig for further reasons or to suggest ulterior motives. Commander Beard belongs to a service which has a tradition of dealing fairly with its officers and men, and his case may safely be left to the minister and commander-in-chief.

Commander Beard himself would wish it so. So would the Canadian Navy. The Canadian Navy is making an excellent record for itself on both the Atlantic and Pacific. It has had its baptism of fire and has come through with flying colors. Canadians must remember this is wartime and leave the navy to do its job.

Parallel Thoughts

And he said unto her, Daughter, thy faith hath made thee whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plague.—Mark 5:34.

Faith in an all-seeing and personal God elevates the soul, purifies the emotions.—John Valera.

Bruce Hutchison

SAFE IN THE SOIL

THE PUBLIC PRINTS show that the people of England are busy now preparing for the flower gardens of 1941. The Times carries long advertisements for flower seeds and a regular article of advice to gardeners.

Nothing more significant comes out of England in its agony than this devotion to the soil. These people are so attached to the soil of England, have worked it, planted it, watered it, reaped it for so many centuries that now they are willing to die for it without complaint.

But there is more to it than that even. The gardener is not as other men. You could, indeed, divide men roughly into two classes—those who derive in the soil and those who don't. The English are delvers, in great estates and in cottage gardens. Or if they live in London, they grow plants in the window and go out and revel in the public parks.

Gardening gives a man a sane view of life which no other hobby provides. It teaches him the rhythm of time, the unimportance of any current incident and the certain rebirth of life in the spring. A whole nation which has absorbed that lesson is indestructible. It knows that if bombs fall in December green things will sprout in March and will keep on sprouting long after Hitler belongs to the unfortunate ages. So long as England is reading seed catalogues in December have no doubt about the outcome of the war. These gardeners can never be driven from their soil.

FOUR IN A HUNDRED

DR. WEIR TELLS THE Legislature that four out of every hundred children now going innocently to school will wind up as lunatics with dementia praecox. This is cheerful news, which one would rather not know. It sets you to examining too closely the faces of children as you walk down the street. Which ones are thus doomed? It is better not to know.

I often wonder how men can face their kind at all times these hideous statistics. If Dr. Weir wanted to, he could show you, as he did a few years ago, how many in a hundred of our people will be infected with social diseases in the next 10 years and how many will perish of malnutrition. After you have studied all the figures for a while you feel there is only one sensible thing to do, and that is to go out and hang yourself before something worse happens to you.

What I can never understand, after reading the medical reports, is how so many people are still walking about our streets apparently quite healthy and even with a glimmering of sanity shining through their dementia praecox.

The wise man will ignore the statistics altogether, for if you pay any attention to them you know you have no real chance of escaping something pretty bad. No man who knows the figures will risk driving an automobile or going in an airplane or kissing a girl. And the final statistic, which Dr. Weir didn't quote, is 100 per cent foolproof and inescapable. Not four in a hundred but the whole hundred are going to die. Let that sink in for a moment. And once it has sunk, forget about it and stop worrying or you will certainly add a fifth to Dr. Weir's four.

JOHN BULL'S PURSE

THERE SEEMS TO BE A LOT OF disagreement about Britain's financial needs. Lord Lothian says the Old Country is getting short of American money and will need help soon. Mr. H. V. Kaltenborn, one of the most reliable commentators in the business, says Britain still has enough American money or securities to last more than another year at the present rate of purchasing. The New York Times runs an editorial declaring that things are getting serious and a news article by its financial editor declaring that Britain still has plenty of funds on hand. It is all very confusing.

In Washington they all told me that if Britain needed money it would be loaned by the U.S.A. But there are two conditions that must be fulfilled. First, Britain must demonstrate that it can withstand the German attack, so that the Americans won't be sending their supplies over there and weakening themselves uselessly. This has been demonstrated. The second condition is that Britain must actually need financial help. Apparently that has not yet been demonstrated to the satisfaction of the Americans.

CONFUSION

MEMBERS of the Canadian government ought to get together before they make their speeches.

A day or two after Colonel Ralston has said in Parliament that we were faced with a skilled labor shortage and the compulsory military training plan might have to be altered to relieve it, Mr. Gardiner takes microphone in hand and declares there is no labor shortage and everything is swell.

And no sooner has Mr. MacKinnon warned Parliament that we face a huge and disastrous wheat surplus than Mr. Gardiner springs up to say that there will be no surplus (assuming that the war and the blockade are over in two years).

Out here all the provincial politicians insist that the provincial budget cannot be reduced on any account, and then Mr. Hart slips into a Victoria Liberal Association meeting and announces that any sacrifice asked by the federal government will be made. You can't blame a simple layman for being a little confused.

I am in earnest—I will not equivocate—I will not excuse—I will not retract a single inch and I will be heard.—William Lloyd Garrison.

Elmore Philpott

GANGSTERS SPLIT?

WE will never be able to unravel the mystery of the recent comings and goings by Hitler until the war is over. But the picture is clearing sufficiently to indicate that the inevitable split between Hitler and Mussolini may not be long postponed.

There are only a few explanations of the Italian debacle in Greece. Without detracting in any way from the magnificence of the Greek military victory, it is obvious that there was no real co-operation between the two gangster leaders in this adventure. My first guess was that Hitler had coerced Mussolini into making the first move to forestall any tendency there might have been by the Italians to hold back—and that Hitler would later on try to crash through to the Mediterranean through Bulgaria and Macedonia. But an increasing volume of evidence suggests that there was no such plan.

The answer, therefore, is that in this respect at least Mussolini has got his own way and Hitler is letting him pay the price.

Some sources which have been generally accurate in the past suggest that Mussolini was furious at the deal which Hitler tried to make with France. According to this story all that Italy would have got from the beaten French Empire, in addition to such relative trifles as Nice, was the port of Djibouti in East Africa.

Hitler's offer to France was not accepted because it involved "full collaboration." In other words, active participation in the war against us by France. Not even the discredited Vichy government was low enough to attempt such a degrading betrayal. But the net effect of the offer was to demonstrate to Mussolini and Italy just where the wind is blowing.

MUSSOLINI A LIABILITY

Every student of the gangster days in the United States knows that when two separate gangs join there is an inevitable end to that union. The split comes when there is no more swag for the two of them to divide. In gangster values Mussolini's rating was only that of a sly little man in any event. His job was to knife France in the back through the wall when Hitler had France backed up against the wall. He did that job as arranged. But Hitler knew, and Mussolini knew, and every student of economic facts knew that in a long war Italy would prove not an asset but a liability to Hitler.

Mussolini never would have gone into the war unless Hitler had convinced him that the gangsters could win the war this year.

A NOBLE WOMAN'S FAREWELL

Mme. V. E. Kraus Fessel, suffering from an incurable affliction, died here last week-end. She was a member of one of Prussia's oldest landed families. A woman of brilliant intellect and wide cultural attainments, she was first welfare minister in the cabinet under the Weimar republic. She came to Victoria with a band of refugees two years ago, forced to flee Germany and the Gestapo because of her outspoken opposition to the Nazis at the time of their entry into Austria.

On her deathbed she left the following letter:

"My Dear Canadian Friends: 'If I would not be doomed anyway I would not have thought of ending my life but of building up a new life. As you perhaps know, I was not tired of life or of my task in life. But fate cuts through the thread.'

"To all of you who have been kind to me, welcomed me in the new country and were helpful, my thanks.

"Be helpful to those foreigners in this country. 'Ghosts' still struggling for the building up of a new life. It helps a great lot on a new and hard way!

"So my thanks to all of you and my farewell.

"META KRAUS-FESSEL."

Better English

By D. C. WILLIAMS
1. What is wrong with this sentence? "It is not as large as we thought." "It is not as large as we thought."

2. What is the correct pronunciation of "vicissitude?"
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? Succeed, succeed, proceed.

4. What does the word "re-spite" mean?

5. What is a word beginning with "l" that means "lasting for a time only?"

Answers:
1. Say, "It is not so large as we thought." Use so after a negative. 2. Pronounce vī-sī-tūd, all Vs as in it, u as in cube, accent second syllable. 3. Succeed. 4. Postponement; delay. (Pronounce res-pit, e as in less). "A moment's respite was granted to them." 5. Temporary.

Traveling Libraries

Mrs. E. W. Hamber, as the guest of the Public Library Commission, yesterday visited the traveling libraries department in the Parliament Buildings. Mrs. Hamber has shown particular interest in the children's libraries, towards which she recently made a handsome contribution in order to provide in greater quantity some of the more attractive and expensive books especially dear to the hearts of the younger children.

Particular interest centred in the type of school and community served by the traveling libraries and in the wide range of books supplied to people, old and young, who otherwise would have little or no access to good modern literature. The children's books, supplied in boxes of about 606 volumes to one-room schools throughout the province, are not school textbooks, or reference books, but comprises rather the full range of modern juvenile literature, fiction and nonfiction, from picture-books to science, history, and the best class of story-books; in other words, a cross-section of what is to be found in the most up-to-date public library.

A total of 268 of these school libraries was sent out in 1939 from Victoria and from the commission's north-central headquarters at Prince George. This number does not of course meet the demand. There is a waiting list of schools yet to be served, but the limit has about been reached of service that can be provided on present appropriations.

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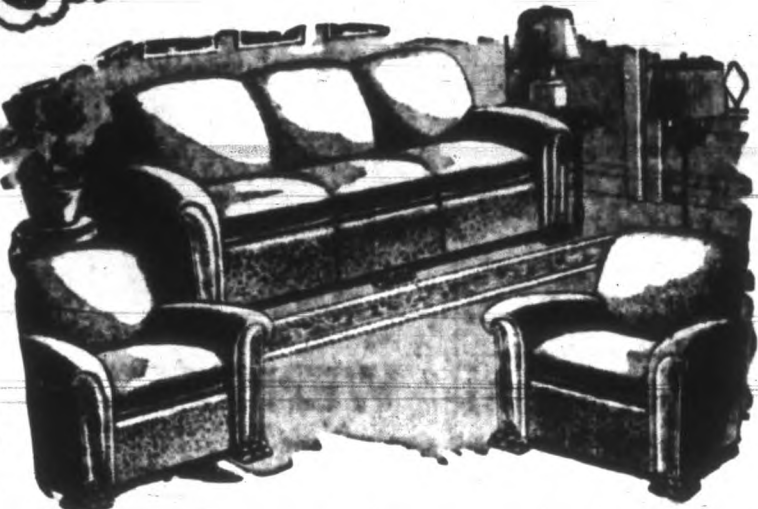
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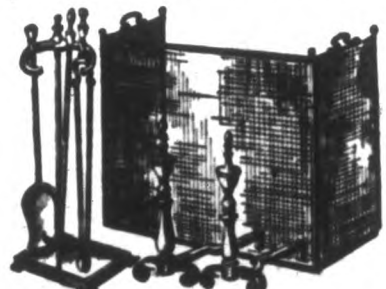
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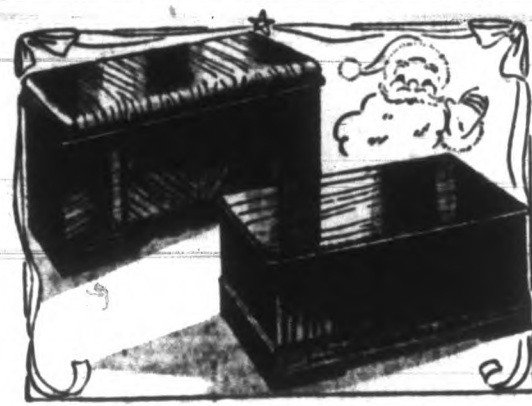
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They were married at Aberfoyle Church, Scotland, 50 years ago, the bride being Ann McDonald Munroe. They have two sons and three daughters, all born in Canada: Mrs. Grace Molloy, Chicago; Mrs. Kate McLeod, Sidney; Mrs. Annie Hammett, Victoria; Harry, Vancouver, and Thomas, Los Angeles, also 10 grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell have resided in Victoria over 30 years, he being employed at the shipyard. He is a member of Masonic Lodge No. 2, Vancouver and Quadra, being a life member of Camosun Lodge, Victoria.

Lectures for Nurses

The private duty section of the Victoria Graduate Nurses' Association is arranging a course of lectures to cover a four-month period. The first of these lectures will be one by Dr. S. Janowsky on "New Drugs," to be given at the Jubilee Nurses' Home on Monday at 8 p.m.

All graduate nurses having activity membership in the Victoria Graduate Nurses' Association are cordially invited to attend. Information concerning activity membership may be obtained from the following: Miss E. Franks, Nurses' Registry, E 5321; Mrs. J. H. Russell, president, Jubilee Alumnae, G 5119; Miss M. Dixon, E 7328; Mrs. G. Rose, president, St. Joseph's Alumnae, E 7594.

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Weddings

WELLS-SADLER

Tail baskets of white chrysanthemums adorned the chancel and white bows marked the guest pews in St. Mark's Church last evening for the wedding at 8.30 of Lillian Beatrice, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Sadler, 848 Seymour Avenue, Saanich, and Mr. George Wells, youngest son of the late Mr. and Mrs. George Wells of Victoria, formerly of North Battleford, Sask. Rev. O. L. Jull officiated and Mrs. F. W. L. Moore was at the organ.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was charming in a floor-length frock of white crepe, with lace leg-o-mutton sleeves, sweetheart neckline finished with an Elizabethan collar of lace, the bodice buttoned down the back, and the skirt extending into a long train. Her veil of filmy embroidered tulle was attached to a wreath of orange blossoms, and her only ornament was a string of pearls. She carried a shower bouquet of bridal roses and white carnations.

Mrs. A. Wetherell was matron of honor, and wore a frock of pale pink net and a brief bolero trimmed with blue ribbon, and Miss Doris Callow was bridesmaid in a similar frock of pale blue net with a bolero. They wore lace gloves to match their gowns and carried bouquets of chrysanthemums tied with contrasting ribbon, and wore floral bandeaus in their hair. Mr. A. Wetherell was best man, and the ushers were Mr. Leonard Harman and Mr. Fred Wells, brother of the bridegroom. During the signing of the register, Mr. A. Lindores sang "I Love You Truly."

The reception was held in the church hall, during which the couple stood beneath an arch of greenery and a white bell. Mrs. Sadler welcomed the guests in a black gown trimmed with gold, a black hat and a corsage bouquet of roses and violets. The four-tiered cake centred the supper table, set in folds of white tulle, between crystal vases of roses.

For a motoring trip on the mainland, the bride left in a "sailor" blue dress and hat, with black accessories and a corsage bouquet of roses. Mr. and Mrs. Wells will take up residence in their new home at 960 Seymour Avenue on their return.

Among the lovely gifts was a case of flat silver from the staff and doctors of the Royal Jubilee Hospital, where the bride had been employed for many years.

HANDLEY-McDOUGALL
At the home of the bride's mother, 2220 Cook Street, a quiet wedding was solemnized on Friday afternoon when Flora, only daughter of Mrs. C. McDougall, and the late Mr. A. McDougall, Ayrshire, Scotland, became the bride of Mr. Henry O. Handley, son of Mr. and Mrs. P. Handley, 1706 Bank Street, Rev. Hugh McLeod officiating.

The bride wore a brown and gold ensemble with matching accessories and a spray of orchids. Later Mr. and Mrs. Handley left by motor for a honeymoon up-island, the bride wearing a muskrat coat over her wedding outfit. On their return they will reside at 2220 Cook Street.

TAYLOR-CREIGHTON

DUNCAN—St. Mary's Church, Soanenos, was the scene of a pretty wedding this afternoon at 2.30, when Rev. H. T. Archbold united in marriage Lorna Jean, only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Creighton, Soanenos, and Trooper Robert D. Taylor, A Squadron, 5th C.M.C.R., youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. D. N. Taylor, Charlottesville, South Carolina. Mrs. L. Henkel was at the organ, and during the signing of the register Mrs. Britton sang "All Joy Be Thine."

The bride, who was given in marriage by her father, was attractive in a dressmaker suit of blue velvet boucle, small hat in a light teal shade, with accessories in shades of teal and burgundy. Her corsage was of rosebuds and she carried a white prayer-book. Miss Elsie Robertson, Victoria, was bridesmaid, wearing a suit of navy blue, hat to match and rose accessories, with corsage of carnations. Lance-Corpl. G. Worthington, A Squadron, supported the groom.

After the ceremony an informal reception for relatives and immediate friends was held at the home of the bride's parents, where the many presents were on view.

After a short honeymoon they will return to Duncan, where Trooper Taylor is at present stationed.

FAIRCLOUGH-WALKER

At the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Walker, Sooke, V.I., last evening at 8.30, the marriage of their daughter, Thelma, to Mr. Jack Fairclough, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. B. Fairclough, Burnside Road, was solemnized by Rev. H. M. Bolton of St. Mary's Church, Metehosin. The rooms were prettily arranged with flowers, the ceremony being performed between tall baskets of chrysanthemums.

To the strains of the Bridal Chorus from "Lohengrin," played by Mr. Robin Thomas, violinist, the bride entered the room with her father who gave her in marriage. She wore a cocktail blue sheer afternoon gown with turban and gloves of the same shade, and a corsage bouquet of rosebuds.

Miss Winnifred Bleasdale was the only bridesmaid, wearing an afternoon gown of zircon hue, with hat and gloves en suite, and a corsage bouquet of rose carnations. Mr. Benjamin Fairclough was groomsmen to his brother.

A reception was held and supper was served from a table centred with the wedding cake and arranged with flowers. Later Mr. and Mrs. Fairclough left for a honeymoon in Vancouver, the bride donning a brown broadtail fur coat, with matching accessories. They will make their home at 3259 Eldon Place on their return.

Among the many handsome gifts was a Prince Albert Crown Derby teaset from the bride's associates at Hudson's Bay Co., and a pair of H.B. blankets from the firm, and the groom received a table lamp from the Sidney Lumber Co., where he is employed.



TO VISIT IN EAST—Miss Zeta Clark, Trutch Street, who will leave on Monday to spend some time visiting in Montreal and in Nova Scotia. She will be accompanied as far as Vancouver by her mother, Mrs. George C. Clark.

Social and Personal

Mrs. C. V. Stockwell entertained a few friends at luncheon at her home, "Gibraltar," Island Highway, yesterday, the affair being arranged in honor of Mrs. E. W. Hamber.

Among those entertaining this evening before the Naval Frolics are Lieutenant-Commander and Mrs. Maurice Wood, who will take their guests to the show at the Royal Victoria Theatre.

Miss Mary Leith of the Royal Jubilee Hospital staff will leave tomorrow by Trans-Canada Airlines for Red Lake, Manitoba, to spend the Christmas season with her brother who lives on McKenzie Island.

Mrs. Robert A. Foulis, with her little son Robin, has arrived from Vancouver for the wedding of her brother, Mr. Jack Patterson, and Miss Victoria Cross next Wednesday, and is the guest of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. Smith Patterson, Esquimalt Road.

Mrs. Horatio Walker of Montreal, who has been the guest of Mrs. F. W. Hartley, Monterey Avenue, since her arrival in Victoria a couple of weeks ago, will take up her residence at The Angela for the remainder of the winter months.

Mr. W. Mc. Moore of Vancouver arrived this afternoon to join his wife, who has been spending the last few days here with her mother, Mrs. Howland, Foul Bay Road, after visiting in Port Angeles with her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Warren Morse. Mr. and Mrs. Moore will return to Vancouver on Monday.

Mrs. C. R. McNeill of Vancouver came over to Victoria yesterday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Howard McNeill and Miss Berta Robertson of Vancouver joined her here today for the wedding of her daughter, Miss Florence Doreen Robertson, and Mr. James Reginald Scalpen, that will take place this evening. Mrs. McNeill is staying with Miss Robertson at the Caldwell Apartments, Cook Street.

Mrs. V. Tierney, Sinclair Road, Cadboro Bay, was hostess at the tea hour on Thursday afternoon. K. S. J. G. Jones presided at the tea table, which was centred with a silver basket of yellow chrysanthemums and yellow tapers in silver candelabra. The invited guests were Miss M. King, Mrs. H. R. Taylor, Mrs. F. H. Partidge, Mrs. C. W. Wilson, Mrs. J. B. Grant, Mrs. D. G. Denby, Mrs. W. H. Sturrock, Mrs. J. M. Wetmore, Mrs. E. Gandy, Mrs. G. Hawkins, Mrs. R. H. Hall and Mrs. D. L. Whitney (Washington).

Mrs. E. D. Anderson and Mrs. E. A. Anderson entertained on Friday at the latter's home on Obed Avenue, at a miscellaneous shower in compliment to Miss Ruth Anderson, who will be married this month. Peach chrysanthemums decorated the room and the useful gifts were cooked in a pink and green miniature house. Upon her arrival the bride-to-be was presented with a corsage bouquet of chrysanthemums. An evening of games was enjoyed, the prizes being won by Mesdames Miller, G. Anderson, Neilson, Campbell, F. Appleby and Nellie Browett. A buffet supper was served later by the hostesses. The bride-elect cut the two-tier wedding cake. The invited guests were: Mesdames R. Lindsay, B. Campbell, F. Appleby, Sr., F. Appleby Jr., B. Richards, G. Anderson, S. Anderson, B. Snyder, D. Pearce, T. McDonald, W. Miller, Misses Ruth Anderson, May Tull, Ruth Appleby, Wendy Perkins, Betty Rousay, Florence James, Nellie Browett, Isabelle Nichols and Mrs. Neilson, Toronto.

Mrs. Dallas Munro recently entertained members of the Kia Ora Club at her home, 542 Northcott Street. Special guests were Miss Doreen Jack, Mrs. J. Thompson, Mrs. W. Warder and Mrs. C. Creed. Contests were enjoyed and prize winners were Mrs. A. Stewart, Mrs. D. Stephens and Mrs. C. Creed.

Engagements

ATKINSON-WRIGHT

Mrs. Arthur Wright, Keatings, announces the engagement of her younger daughter, Dorothy Alice, to Mr. Eric Neil Atkinson, elder son of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Atkinson, Keating. The wedding will take place at St. Mary's Church, Saanich, December 2, at 8 p.m.

EMERSON-YOUNG

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Young, 2541 Fernwood Road, announce the engagement of their daughter, Lillian Maud, of Comox, V.I., to Mr. G. E. Emerson, Victoria, second son of Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Emerson of Bradner, B.C. The wedding will take place on December 30.

HAMILTON-REID

Mr. and Mrs. A. Reid, 2507 Quadra Street, announce the engagement of their youngest daughter, Gladys, to Mr. Michael Hamilton, R.C.N.V.R., fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Hamilton, Saskatoon, Sask. The wedding will take place quietly in the latter part of December.

BROWN-DICKSON

Mr. and Mrs. J. Dickson, Granville Avenue, Saanich, announce the engagement of their elder daughter Mary (May) to Mr. Cecil Andrew Brown, fourth son of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Brown, Whiteside Avenue, Seven Oaks. The wedding will take place quietly at the end of December.

Child Evacuees

At a silver tea held Wednesday afternoon in Luxton Hall Miss Lena B. Mess, superintendent of the Children's Aid Society, discussed some aspects of the overseas movement of children to Canada. The speaker told of the generous response of Canadians, 50,000 homes in Canada to date having offered to take children. Evacuation of children on a large scale had not been feasible, however. Mrs. W. Henderson, president of the Luxton and Happy Valley Women's Institute, presented Miss Mess with a corsage bouquet. A vote of thanks was moved by Mrs. H. Langrish, seconded by Miss J. Trace. The proceeds of the tea will benefit the Lord Mayor's Fund, \$11 being realized. An additional \$4 was voted from the institute funds. Mrs. J. T. Gill sang "A Perfect Day" and "There'll Always Be an England," accompanied by Mrs. J. Harry Downard.

A practice dance will be held in Luxton Hall this evening under the auspices of the Glen Lake Club and Tennis Club.

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'Apascoe' Dance

The "Apascoe" monthly dance will be held on December 6 in the Fraser Street Hall, Esquimalt, under the convensership of the R.C.A.S.C. Auxiliary. A good orchestra has been secured and the usual good prizes and refreshments will be in evidence. As the money from these efforts is used to provide comforts for the men of five units, and to assist the Esquimalt branch of the Red Cross, the support of the public is invited. Time of the dance 9 to 1 o'clock.

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Lake Hill W.I. will meet on Monday afternoon at 2.30 at the Community Hall, when members are reminded of the "bring and buy" sale. Members of Craigflower W.I. will be guests for the afternoon.



By E. L. F.

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Now's the time... to have that hat freshened up for the holiday season! A new bow... a bit of a feather... a wisp of veil... presto! A different effect and you'll feel like a million! Minnie Beveridge, 778 Fort Street, knows just how to do it!



For yourself! There's at least one Christmas present you should get... and that's skilled beauty service. For a merrier Christmas treat yourself now to a permanent facial or manicure at Harper Method. Two salons... 1297 Douglas Street and 2548 Windsor Road.

For Luck! Give your gardening friend a mischievous-looking little garden gnome. It's sure to be appreciated! These fine terra cotta figures... all sizes and shapes... on display at The Pet Shop, 1412 Douglas Street. Other attractive garden ornaments here.

In the Mode! The true-blue turquoise matrix and its softer blue cut stones are very much in demand this season. Rings, carings and necklets of turquoise make delightful gifts. The Persian Arts and Crafts, 610 Fort Street, has many unusually attractive pieces. Inexpensive, too!



Discovered! The Rainbow Studio and Gift Shop is still going strong at a new address... 1031 Fort Street, just below Cook. A fine display of English Christmas cards here. Also pretty china and pottery.

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Ooh and Aah! A hooded housecoat in softest duvetyne... blue or dusty rose with pink check trim... or in dashing Roman stripe satin with black. Zippered or wrap-around. Now as tomorrow... and only \$8.95 at Mac McIntosh's, 289 Fort Street, at Quadra.

It's a Gift... the way the English Bakery, 742 Fort Street, have of making Christmas puddings and cake. Luscious... dark... plenty of fruit and nuts! Order early... if you wish a particular size. Puddings, 40 cents a pound... Christmas cake, 50 cents... plain, 50 cents, and with almond paste only, 55 cents.

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Women to Launch 'Buckshee' Fund Here Soon

Under the direction of Mrs. J. R. McIlree, Victoria women will co-operate to help the Buckshee Fund which is being organized throughout Canada. In army slang "buckshee" stands for something free, and the fund has been started to send cigarettes, tobacco, chocolate bars and chewing gum to men of the forces.

Collection boxes will be placed in offices, store and factories and it is pointed out nine cents will land four packets of 10 cigarettes in Britain, Iceland or Newfoundland. Eleven cents will send four Canadian chocolate bars or four packets of chewing gum, and five cents will send one packet of 10 Canadian cigarettes and one chocolate bar or packet of gum.

"If every adult Canadian would deposit a single cent each week in a buckshee fund box we should have ample funds to keep a continuous stream of cigarettes and other small comforts going to the men overseas," the appeal says.

Naval Ratings Guests At Y.W.C.A. Party

On Thursday evening the girls of the Live Y's Club of the Y.W.C.A. entertained 35 naval ratings at a delightful dance, held in the newly-decorated recreation room. Music for dancing was supplied by Eric Paver's orchestra and during the evening refreshments were served. Guests were greeted by Miss Dorothy Spencer, club leader, and Miss Eileen Steele, president of the group.

The girls of the Hi-Y Interclub Council entertained members of the board, girls' work committee, and advisors on Friday afternoon preceding the monthly meeting. Jean MacAskill, president, presided during the business meeting which followed. It was announced that Hi-Y pins are now available and that Hi-Y rings could also be purchased. Reports were heard on the activities of the six city clubs and all showed that the club work is progressing well. It has been decided to invite the girls' H-Y clubs of Vancouver, New Westminster and Ladysmith to join with the Victoria girls for the annual mid-winter conference to be held in February.

DANCE FOR FORCES

Monday, December 2, is the date set for the next bimonthly dance for the forces. Len Acres' orchestra will provide the music and Harry Holder will be M.C. Refreshments will be served under the convenship of Mrs. W. H. Molson. Mrs. Rosa Crane of the girls' work committee is in charge of the arrangements.

The Y-Owenia Club members will be hostesses on Sunday afternoon to a group of the forces, when Mr. Pierre Timp, the War-cliff Trio, and Mr. Ernie Crookford, magician, will contribute to the program. Members of Chapter "11" of the P.E.O. are arranging a drive and will serve the refreshments.

ROYAL OAK

A 500 card party was held Wednesday evening in the Community Hall under the auspices of the Royal Oak Boy Scout Association with Major and Mrs. L. H. MacQueen, Scoutmaster V. E. L. Goddard and Mrs. T. Amos convening. Winners were, first, Miss A. Brown and G. Cuthbert; second, J. Nicholson and Mrs. D. Wilson; consolation, Mrs. H. C. Oldfield, W. Bruce, Ten-bid, E. R. Heal and Mrs. M. Townsend. Contest winners, Mrs. Sylvester, T. Hawes, Mrs. Boyd, Mrs. R. McIntosh, Mrs. W. Laidlaw.

Prospect Lake Red Cross Unit held a card party Tuesday evening at the home of Miss D. Hewitt with Mrs. H. Lohr and Mrs. D. Wilson as hostesses. The monthly meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. M. Thomson, December 10, and a card party will be held in the evening. It was decided to spend \$20 for refugee funds.

The bazaar and concert held recently under the auspices of the South Saanich United Church W.A. was enjoyed by all those attending. In the afternoon Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. Gunn, assisted by Mrs. Lunt and Miss Craig, presided over well-stocked stalls of plain and fancy sewing and home cooking. Afternoon tea was served under the convenship of Mrs. Daley. The evening entertainment consisted of vocal solos by Mrs. R. M. McIntosh of Elk Lake, Mrs. Gunn, Mr. Lunt and Master Julius McGinnis; instrumental selections by Mrs. Kenneth Thompson and Mrs. McIntosh of Sidney. An illustrated travel talk on Alaska proved very interesting. Miss Kathleen Lowe was accompanist and Rev. D. M. Perley chairman. The December meeting of the W.A. will take the form of a social at the home of Mrs. H. R. Rose.

Gay Crowd at Saanich Ball



Approximately 700 dancers attended at the Agricultural Hall last night and acclaimed the Saanich charity ball, 1940 edition, the most outstanding ever held in the Saanichton Hall.

Staged under the auspices of the Saanich Council, school board and police commission, the ball attracted both city and country folk. The hall was elaborately decorated with flags and bunting featured, and including an attractive farm scene behind the platform on which the orchestra was assembled. Groupings of foliage, grain and flowers were used to construct the scene. The Saanich coat of arms was prominently displayed.

Total profits from the dance will be devoted to charitable purposes, one-half being used for

local charities and the remainder divided between the Red Cross and Lord Mayor's Fund.

SALUTES TO FORCES

Dancing was enjoyed from 9 to 11 in the morning, during which the orchestra played salutes to the Army, Navy and the Air Force. Novelty dances were enjoyed by the gay throng.

Midway through the dance, supper was served from the buffet tables in the dining room, featured by a very tasty chicken salad. Mrs. R. E. Nimmo was general convener of supper arrangements, assisted by Misses H. Elliott, C. McNab, M. MacKenzie, V. Freeman and Mr. R. Nimmo.

Mr. W. A. Greene, municipal clerk, was chairman of the gen-

Children's Costume Ball at Christmas

For the last 23 years the children's fancy dress ball arranged by the Navy League Chapter, I.O.D.E., has been an annual red-letter event of the Christmas holiday season, and the youngsters are already discussing their costumes for the annual party on Friday, December 27, at the Empress Hotel.

The regent, Mrs. M. Aubrey Kent, will be the general convener. Mrs. T. A. Johnston will have charge of the tickets and publicity. The favors will be taken care of by Mrs. J. L. Ford and Mrs. T. McGimpsey. With the great demands on the chapter's war work funds it is hoped that this year's ball will be a greater success than ever to enable the regular educational work to be carried on.

LANGFORD

Prince Edward Branch, Canadian Legion, will meet on Tuesday at 8. The executive will meet at 7. The Women's Auxiliary will also meet in the committee room.

Rev. Peter J. Disney will open the annual Christmas tea and sale of work next Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Bigwood, Dunmore, Island Highway, under the auspices of St. Matthew's Guild.

Under the auspices of the British-Israel Federation a lecture will be given by Mrs. Aitree Coley on Wednesday at 8 in the Canadian Legion Hall.

The Langford Women's Institute endorsed the attitude of the Local Council of Women against obscene magazines and books.

CATHEDRAL A.Y.P.A.

The weekly meeting of the Cathedral A.Y.P.A. was held in the Memorial Hall on Wednesday evening. The president, Chris Howland, opened the meeting with prayer. Members were reminded of the card party and dance on December 19 in the James Bay Hall. Initiation classes will be held in the Memorial Hall on December 1 and 8 for all new members wishing to join the A.Y.P.A. After a short church service and talk by Rev. Fife the members enjoyed games in the hall.



Mrs. Alvin Gonnason who is arranging entertainment for the dolls' bazaar at the Jubilee Nurses' Home on Wednesday afternoon. The Junior W.A. is sponsoring the affair.

Ask Stores Not to Stock Jap Oranges

A request that all members of the Committee for Medical Aid for China ask their grocers not to stock Japanese oranges this year was made as the result of a meeting of the executive held at the headquarters a few days ago. It was reported that a letter had been received from the Vernon committee advising that all grocers in the Okanagan and the interior had agreed not to handle them and asking what Victoria and Vancouver were doing.

"Miss 1941," another of the dolls which have received such favorable comment, together with a separate wardrobe of a number of complete costumes, in the pockets of which are tucked tiny embroidered handkerchiefs, has been placed on display in the windows at 617 Broughton Street, as has a splendid camera of British make, donated for sale. Tickets for both of these, which will be sold before Christmas, may be obtained at the above address. Mrs. Hudson reported that \$100 had already been realized from the sale of Christmas cards and that a good supply of two woodcut designs were still available at the office. "Penny-a-meal" boxes yielded the sum of \$12.15.

The largest shipment of supplies yet sent went forward to Hongkong this week. It consisted of 13 cases, including nine of clothing for refugees, two of sterilized bandages, one of hospital sundries and one of blankets. One of the cases contained a splendid collection of woollens made and gathered by the C.G.I.T. of the Metropolitan Church. Much satisfaction was expressed that the groups had again taken up this valuable work.

Empty shelves make necessary an appeal for old sheets, pillowcases, tablecloths, any clean white cotton, flannelette or linen, the lack of which has curtailed bandage-rolling this past month. Clean, warm clothes are also badly needed for refugees, but shoes and hats are not sent. The office is open daily from 2 to 5 and Wednesday and Thursday mornings.

BOYCOTT JAP ORANGES

Members of Cowichan Women's Institute pledged themselves at their meeting last Wednesday not to buy Japanese oranges this year. Their action is in line with a nation-wide boycott drive which women's organizations are sponsoring.

One of the last acts of Capt. Fogarty Fegan, V.C., who died a hero's death when he went down with his blazing ship, the Jervis Bay, was to write this letter of gratitude to an eastern division of the Canadian Red Cross Society: "May I ask you to convey to your president and committee our deep appreciation of the magnificent gift of winter comforts that arrived safely on board Wednesday afternoon. Your generosity is on a par with the wonderful hospitality that has been shown us at your port during our stay here, and it is difficult to find words to express our gratitude. From my own experience on the North Atlantic last winter I know that your kind of gifts is going to be of the greatest value in the months to come. Yours very sincerely, (signed) E. F. Fegan, captain, R.N."

GIFTS TO GREECE

At a meeting of the Central Council of the Canadian Red Cross Society in Toronto last week, it was decided to donate hospital and surgical supplies and other necessities to the value of \$2,500 and \$2,500 in cash to the Red Cross of Greece.

The Canadian Red Cross benefited to the amount of more than \$100 when the mainland branch of the Canadian Authors held its first book fair in Vancouver during the recent Canadian Book Week. There was a fine display of books, photographs and autographs by famous authors. Well-known authors present were Dale Carnegie, Robert Service, Kathleen Shackleton and Irene Baird.

MANY DONATIONS

The following donations are gratefully acknowledged by the treasurer of Red Cross: Oak Bay unit (additional), \$8; Bamberton unit (additional), \$145; ladies of the Japanese United Church Mission, \$20; George Jay unit, proceeds from tea and sale, \$103; Gienshell Hotel, proceeds from sale of scrap iron, \$9.70 and proceeds from collection of silver paper, \$1.35.

It is understood that the idea to build a Canadian Red Cross convalescent hospital in this province has been abandoned for the present.

The B.C. Institution was to have been one of eight built throughout the Dominion. It is not expected the plan will be proceeded with until the government decides such hospitals are necessary.

Rockland Park W.C.T.U. will hold its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. N. Phillips, 2395 Cook Street, on Monday at 2.30. Members are reminded to bring in their coupons.

James Bay P.T.A. will meet Tuesday evening at 8, in South Park School. Dr. Hugh Clarke of the school dental clinic will show films. Refreshments will be served.

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WELCOMED IN CANADA—President Pierre Dupong of the Independent Grand Duchy of Luxembourg paid a formal visit to Montreal city hall recently, where he was welcomed by Acting Mayor Edmond Hamelin. There he signed the Golden Book of distinguished visitors, right. At left, is the Grand Duchess Charlotte-Adelgunde, an exile since the little country was overrun by German invaders.

VIVIEN LEIGH UNABLE TO APPEAR

Miss Vivien Leigh, English movie actress, who gained her greatest fame in the motion picture, "Gone With the Wind," will be unable to appear at the "Naval Frolics" being staged at the Royal Victoria Theatre this evening. Miss Leigh sent a telegram yesterday to the O.C., R.C.N. Naval Barracks, regretting her inability to appear as she was visiting in Vancouver for only two days, and was leaving for Hollywood yesterday.

The battle between science and magic to take place at the "Frolics" is rapidly reaching its climax in verbal warfare between the two contestants. William Harkness, the "Canadian Houdini," is scheduled to escape from a welded tank, which will be sealed on the stage, with Mr. Harkness inside, by Hughie Cairns, foreman welder at the Victoria Machinery Depot. Although on numerous occasions in the past Mr. Harkness has found his way out of such enclosed quarters more quickly than a retreating Fascist army, Hughie Cairns is of the opinion that this time things are going to be different. The program will be as follows: March, "Staunch and

True" (C. Teike); overture, "Oberon" (Weber); saxophone solo, "By the Waters of Minnetonka" (Leuridan); selection, "Nautical Moments" (Aubrey Winter); intermezzo, "In a Persian Market" (Ketyby); and march, "Semper Fidelis" (J. P. Sousa). Amateur half-hour. The Red Triangle Concert Party, including Miss Sheila Conway, Catherine Craig, Elaine Basanta, Catherine Denniston, Barbara Dawson, James McVie, David Oldham, Frank Paulding, John Bray and Alec Hall. The choruses, "Marching Along Together," "Margie" and "Out of the Dusk to You"; adagio dance, Clough School of Dancing; comedians, Bob and Fred; hand balancing; Scotch comedian, Joseph Debbie; tap dance, Shaw Dancing School; character comedian, A.

Adams; magician, William Harkness; introduction of Captain Foster and Victoria Girls' Drill Team; comedians, Black and Small; finale, "There'll Always Be an England"; "Rule Britannia."

The Oaklands P.T.A. will meet in the school auditorium on Monday evening at 8 o'clock. A social evening of games and contests will follow the business meeting, with prizes awarded, as well as the usual attendance picnic. Refreshments will be served.

Many of the textbooks required in British Columbia schools are now being printed in the province. Peter J. Barr, officer in charge of the textbook branch, told the public accounts committee yesterday. He said a company in Vancouver had put in the necessary plan and during the last year 130,000 volumes, costing \$76,000, had been printed in British Columbia. There were 29 different books in this lot.

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This, Too, May Be News

Paralleling the favorite U.S. pastime, "write to your congressman," A. S. Averill, Victoria, is advocating a "write to your member" campaign on free railway fares for men of the C.A.S.F. in the Maritimes for Christmas leave. . . . According to A. C. Bufts, Boston engineer back from the Orient, it looks as if the Japanese are going into the Dutch East Indies unless stopped by the United States.

Head nurse at a Coventry, factory writes: "When the girls come to work we have to do all we can to keep their minds off the raiders. To do this we turn gramophones on loud. They listen to the music and most of the time they never hear the attacks."

With the war in progress a little more than a year there have been 15,000 discharges from the armed services for various disabilities and a small number have been placed on pensions, which are on the same basis as the last war. For the last year, 100,000 cheques are mailed to pensioners each month, ranging from \$3.75 up to \$75. . . . Reports from overseas say Capt. Meri (Dumbells) Plunkett, in England as director of entertainment for the troops is doing a good job of digging up soldier talent for concert parties.

Soldier dependents allowance cheques are now going to 117,000 Canadian homes. Including the amounts assigned by the husbands from their own pay, the total amount is about \$6,000,000 a month.

In the air force, the commanding officer is "the stationmaster." Men don't "wangle" things as in the army. They "organize" them. Flying men don't talk of being "fed up." They're "browned off." Something badly done is a "black" and properly done it is "the right drill." Bomb-dropping is egg laying and a young woman with fair hair is "a blonde job." Searchlights are "glowworms."

Hard-hitting Seattle Argus says the buses of that city are not as dirty as they look. They couldn't be, because they are not that old. . . . Social note: United States ambassadors to Europe are wintering in the United States.

It is no use building a Chinese wall of isolation around North America, says Eric A. Johnson of Spokane, advocating U.S.-Canada co-operation with Britain to defeat totalitarianism. North America is so dependent on foreign trade that isolation would result in a lower standard of living than could be imagined, and Hitler's boast that the last remnant of democracy would collapse from economic pressure would prove true.

'SUICIDE' SAILORS IN BOMB SQUADS

Fifty navy "suicide squads," whose duties are to remove fuses from time bombs dropped on Britain are doing unheralded but heroic work in England. School Trustee Frank G. Mulliner said yesterday in an informal talk to the journalists' class at the Night School. Conspicuous bravery of the men in these squads had removed the danger of thousands of time bombs. Mr. Mulliner said he had been informed in a letter from his sister in England.

The letter told of a boy's school, of which Mr. Mulliner's brother-in-law is the headmaster. A bomb was dropped by parachute, which prevented the bomb from burying itself in the ground and so makes its damaging power much greater. The parachute became fouled and the 500-pound bomb was hung in midair.

The suicide squad was informed. The boys left the premises. Before squads could arrive the bomb exploded, wrecking the beautiful old school. The building was vacated 20 minutes before the explosion.

The suicide squads are not a branch of the police force but of the navy.

Prominent in the news recently was the removal of a bomb which had buried itself beneath Westminster Abbey. Similar acts are done daily by these squads, who know that a bomb is a bomb and liable to explode, whether it is

Sign of problems arising in trainee camps—some men are reported raising conscientious objections to rifle training but willing to do chores around the camps or first aid work. . . . Some resentment exists among men in active service force being detailed for fatigues in trainees' camps.

Esquimalt civil servants are raising the issue of some uniformed naval lieutenants doing civil service office work at \$225 a month while they do similar work for \$60 or less.

Should women and girls do army office work for nothing while men physically unfit would like to do the work in uniform for army pay? is a question being raised as the result of girls in Victoria working without pay.

Statement of all prospective expenses entailed in connection with any "war effort" promotions may be demanded before any more are permitted to proceed. This will be to avoid large expenditures for small balances. . . . Prize for inactivity goes to the spectator who let out a guffaw at the Greek's impressive parade at the Cenotaph as soon as their spokesmen started speaking in the Greek language.

Proving that insanity is becoming more and more a mental illness that can be cured, 290 patients of the three B.C. institutions were discharged after six months. Number of Canadians admitted increased 4.58 to make it 50 per cent; foreign decreased 38 per cent. At Esquimalt the beauty parlor is regarded as a necessary service and much appreciated. It gave 2,679 finger waves, 897 curls, 371 manes and no permanents.

In one year 140 persons out of a total of 2,705 charged with drunkenness in British Columbia forfeited bail amounting in all to \$1,795 rather than appear in court.

The Church of England's stand on curtailing drinking during the war is co-operative with that of the United Church, but whether to press for total abstinence or not is left to the discretion of individual ministers.

There are still some complaints among married men joining the army of long delays before their wives receive authorization allowance. . . . Two hundred servicemen and girl friends were turned away from the weekly Sunday free show for the troops at the Chamber of Commerce last Sunday night.

Strange, but true, it is illegal to print the Bible in Canada. And you can be arrested for attempting to distribute it in Quebec. buried in a back garden or in a cathedral. The cool, unsung heroism of these men who tamper daily with death displays the "carry on" spirit which remains undaunted.

Redecorate V.H.S.

While students of Victoria High School forget their troubles during the Christmas holidays workmen will be busy painting the top floors of the building. School Trustee F. G. Mulliner told the journalists' class.

For 20 years the top floors have not received any attention, until their condition is "unworthy of the capital city of British Columbia," said Mr. Mulliner.

Stairways in the High School have been treated recently to remove the danger of students slipping on the iron strips which have worn away through constant use. The preparation used is an iron-grey substance, which must continue to offend aesthetes since coloring matter added to the preparation would impair its durability. The mixture has been used in other schools in Victoria and has proved to have great lasting power.—M. Pearce.

Arrangements have been completed by the Students' Council for the annual Christmas dance of Victoria College to be held at the Empress Hotel on December 23, following conclusion of the first term examinations, which will begin on Friday, December 13. Arrangements are also being made for a skiing party to visit the Forbidden Plateau during the Christmas holidays.

Santa's Secrets



Siroir Report Revived To Head Off Bracken

By NORMAN MACLEOD
OTTAWA

Some Liberal circles are surprised over the sudden decision of Prime Minister Mackenzie King to seek early consideration for the report of the Royal Commission on Dominion-provincial relations.

When the Prime Minister announced this intention the report already had been in the hands of the government for more than six months. The impression had become general and had gone uncontradicted that the document was to be allowed to repose in the government pigeonholes at least until the war situation was better in hand.

What development now has transpired to alter so radically what was evidently the Prime Minister's very recent intention?

The Cabinet's answer is purported to be that it is the situation in the western provinces where recent dramatic moves by Premier John Bracken of Manitoba are credited with having a significance that the authorities here dare not ignore without incurring large-scale trouble in the very near future.

PRAIRIES TAKE ACTION

Specifically, the government has received advice from the west that describe the prairies as being on fire politically with a conflagration reminiscent of the spectacular Progressive movement of 1921. Party labels, according to reports, are being scrapped in favor of concrete economic issues that the current situation has crowded into the forefront of the western picture. Those issues, allegedly, are the burden of public debts and wheat.

Such is the explanation of the

Bracken coalition movement with which government scouts have returned. The aim credited to the Manitoban premier now that he has succeeded in eliminating party politics from his own province is that of uniting the three prairie provinces in a common front upon the problems which the west faces.

So far as the problem of the burden of public debts is concerned, nothing short of the adoption of the Siroir report can conceivably satisfy the Bracken crusade. The Siroir recommendations, however, contemplate the assumption by the federal authority of the entire burden of provincial indebtedness. Their approval, consequently, would satisfy at one stroke 50 per cent of the Bracken program.

MEETS BRACKEN HALF WAY
This is exactly the end attributed to Mr. King. The Liberal chieftain is credited with having displayed something more than even his customary political acumen in recognizing the significant character of the Bracken movement and is adopting the strategy of going half way to meet it. Instead of waiting until it has him backed into a corner.

In other words, the Prime Minister cannot satisfy the west on wheat, world conditions of supply and demand make that impossible. But he can meet them on the debt issue simply by implementing the Siroir report. By acting with decision and with dispatch, he entertains the lively hope of disarming a political crusade that looks even more formidable on the horizon today than the Progressive movement that swept all before it on the prairies 20 years ago.

Knitted Caps Needed

In response to requests from readers, published below are the Red Cross instructions for knitted caps very much needed in England for wear beneath steel helmets. The Red Cross requests these in preference to wristlets, which they say are not needed. They emphasize that the caps should be knitted of very soft wool and ask that none but andalusian be used.

Three ounces of four ply andalusian will make two caps. Use No. 11 needles. You also will need a sixth yard of elastic, 3/4 inches wide. The directions are: Tension: (measured over stocking st.) 8 1/2 sts. equal 1 inch. Work to exact tension to obtain correct size.

Abbreviations: St. equal stitch. Inc. equal increase. Ins. equal inches. K equal knit. P. equal purl.
Cast on 9 sts. First row: Inc. 1 st. in each st. to last st. K1. 17 sts. on needle. Second and alternate rows: Knit. Third row: *K1. Inc. 1 st. in next st. Repeat from * to last st. K1. 25 sts. on needle. Fifth row: *K2. Inc. 1 st. in next st. Repeat from * to last st. K1. 33 sts. on needle. Seventh row: *K3. Inc. 1 st. in next st. Repeat from * to last st. K1. 41 sts. on needle. Ninth row: *K4. Inc. 1 st. in next st. Repeat from * to last st. K1. 49 sts. on needle. Eleventh row: *K5. Inc. 1 st. in next st. Repeat from * to last st. K1. 57 sts. on needle.

Continue increasing in this manner every alternate row, having 1 st. extra between increases to 161 sts. on needle. (18 sts. between each increasing). Knit 17 ridges. Work now measures 9 1/2 ins. from last increasing at Back edge. Next row: K7. Cast off 15 sts. K7. Next row: K7. Leave remaining 73 sts. on spare needle. Proceed:

*1st row: Cast off 3 sts. (front edge). Knit to end of row. Second row: Knit. Repeat these two rows to 52 sts. on needle. Proceed:
First row: Cast off 1 st. Knit to end of row. Second row: Cast off 6 sts. (Neck edge). Knit to end of row. Repeat these two rows twice. 31 sts. on needle. Seventh row: Cast off 1 st. Knit

to end of row. Eighth row: Cast off 3 sts. Knit to end of row. Repeat these two rows to 3 sts. on needle. Cast off.

Pick up the 73 sts. from spare needle. Join wool at front edge and repeat from ** to **.

The face band: With right side of work facing, pick up and knit 118 sts. around front edge. Knit four rows garter st. (plain knitting). Cast off.

The neckband: With right side of work facing, pick up and knit 38 sts. along one side of neck. Knit four rows garter st. Cast off.

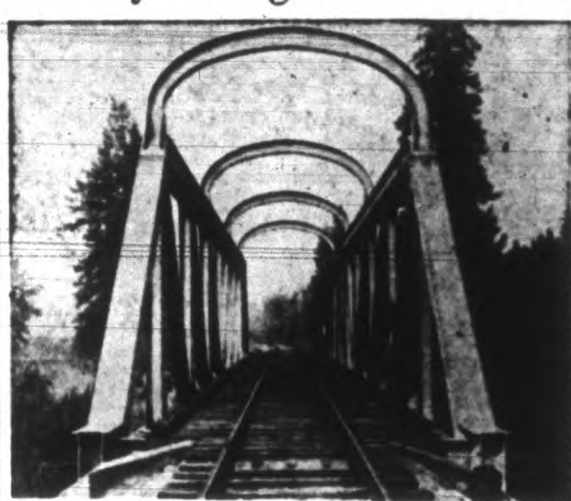
With right side of work facing, pick up and knit 38 sts. along other side of neck. Knit four rows garter st. Cast off. Sew to edges of faceband.
Press carefully, being careful not to flatten ridges. Sew back seam.

The chin strap: Cast on 11 sts. First row: Knit. Second row: K1. purl to last st. K1. Repeat these two rows for 9 ins. Cast off. Press and sew the two long edges together, on the "wrong" side. Turn the work inside out. Thread elastic through, sewing the end of elastic and the knitted short edges together. Sew the ends of the chin strap firmly to the joining seams of the front and neckbands.

Quiz Contest

A quiz contest on popular music was held at Victoria High School yesterday during the lunch hour. Th proceeds, totaling \$22.91, were turned over to the Red Cross. The representatives from the Houses were as follows:
House 1, Wilma Davis and Bob Castner; House 2, Marion Kennedy and Reg Fleming; House 3, Marion Miller and Don Moir; and House 4, Rosemary Watson and Chuck Rowley.
Jimmy McKeachie acted as the old professor. Various orchestral theme songs, popular pieces and singers had to be identified from records played on the gramophone. Dale Miller was scorer and Alan Roper time-keeper. Houses 1 and 3 tied for first place while House 4 was next and House 2 last.
The Boys' Glee Club under Ray Whitehouse, contributed two numbers.

New Style Bridge Over Koksilah



—Photo by Fleet Studio, Duncan.

As part of an extensive program of bridge strengthening and rebuilding which enables the operation of heavier and more powerful locomotives, the Esquimalt and Nanaimo Railway recently erected the 150-foot through truss span above over the Koksilah River. It embodies certain novel design features, and cost 20 per cent less than a bridge of conventional design would have done, at no sacrifice of strength.

The total program, which started last spring and was completed recently, involved strengthening or replacing of 10 bridges comprising 13 spans of various lengths and sizes. A field force of more than 30 experienced structural steel workers carried it out without interfering with traffic.

Of the bridges which were reinforced, the cantilever structure which carries the railway over a gorge 260 feet deep, 14 miles from Victoria, is of considerable interest. This bridge was first erected on the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway, where it carried the track over a gorge of the Fraser River near Cisco, B.C. After some years it was dismantled and reerected at its present location, Niagara Canyon.

Personally, he believed the danger had passed its peak, but the war might easily go on for a considerable period of time. The bank's statement indicated that it was being maintained in the best possible condition for assisting in the provision of funds for the prosecution of the war and for carrying on its general business at the same time.

H. T. Jaffray, general manager, stated that total deposits were \$165,453,751, an increase of \$5,832,929, marking an all-time high in the history of the bank. Deposits by the Dominion showed a reduction of \$1,413,000, those by the provincial governments an increase of \$1,412,000, while those by the public not bearing interest rose by \$9,478,000, a result accountable for by increased business activity. Noninterest-bearing deposits by the public dropped by \$7,000,000, a fact traceable to withdrawals for the second Dominion War Loan. A further reflection of increased business activity was seen in the \$2,621,000 increase in acceptances and letters of credit outstanding.

Assets totaled \$191,491,715, an increase of \$3,500,000 over last year, a new high peak in the bank's history. Cash holdings increased by \$5,947,799, and represented 18.7 per cent of total liabilities to the public as compared with 15.5 per cent a year ago. Total Dominion and provincial securities maturing within the next two years of \$37,862,270 (as compared with \$26,128,054 last year), coupled with cash reserves, represented a total of 40.5 per cent of public liabilities as compared with 30.8 per cent last year, indicating the maintenance of a strong liquid position. Total of readily realizable assets was just over 60 per cent of total liabilities to the public, about the same as last year.

Mr. Jaffray stated that reports from branches of the bank throughout Canada almost without exception showed increased business activity, with lessened unemployment.

To Save More Money

LONDON (CP)—Capt. H. F. C. Crookshank, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, urged Britons yesterday "to shrink from no sacrifice" in saving money, the British Broadcasting Corporation reported.

"Money is needed to give our fighting men the best possible equipment," he said, "and we must show the world our determination to provide it."
As an example Capt. Crookshank asked the people not to purchase silk stockings because the silk was needed for parachutes and was imported at the risk of sailors' lives.

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B.C. Apple Exports Show Big Drop

KELOWNA, B.C. (CP)—Exports of British Columbia apples lag by nearly 1,000,000 boxes behind exports of last year at a like date, according to latest statistics of the B.C. fruit board.

Up to mid-November B.C. Tree Fruits Ltd., handlers of the province's apple export crop, had shipped from B.C. 664,529 boxes, as compared with the 1,649,534 boxes shipped during the same period in 1939.

Loss of the British market, which had taken 1,476,426 boxes at this time last year, is blamed for the drop.

Greatest gain is in business with the United States, which rose from 6,822 boxes in the 1939 period to 427,535 boxes during the period covered by the board's report.

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Red Cross Store Clothing Centre

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A room in the store was turned into the Overseas League clothing committee headquarters this week and already a large amount of clothing has been shipped from the store for the long trip to Great Britain.

The second shipment will leave the store early next week, when over \$1,000 worth of clothing will leave here for England by way of the Panama Canal.

Women members of the Overseas League, assisted by Red Cross store workers, are busy preparing the shipment. Mrs. G. A. Macdonald, corresponding secretary of the league, is in charge of the work.

The Red Cross store is the only place in Greater Victoria now which takes clothing to be sent to homeless air raid victims. Both adults' and children's clothing is accepted. Youngsters' clothing for the sailors' fund is taken at the City Hall.

Speed Training

LUNenburg, N.S. (CP)—General W. Steffens, Ottawa, chief of Norwegian army, navy and air forces in Canada, in Lunenburg for the formal opening yesterday of Camp Norway, Norwegian naval training camp, said activities were proceeding according to plan at Norwegian headquarters at Toronto, where Norse sailors, soldiers and airmen are being trained.

ago. All provinces showed an increase in imports except Saskatchewan.



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Sailing Atlantic in Open Boat

'Wouldn't Have Missed It', Torpedoed Sailor Says

Experiences of 10 days in an open boat on the Atlantic are graphically described in a letter received by Mr. and Mrs. Herbert V. Lane, 1038 Pendergast Street, from their son Douglas, who was among the survivors of the torpedoed Canadian freighter St. Malo.

"It certainly was a marvelous experience and now that it is all over I don't mind it a bit—in fact I would not have missed it, although I would not be awfully fussy about going through it again," he writes cheerfully from hospital in Scotland.

"We had 10 days in an open lifeboat, living on biscuits and bully beef and condensed milk and water," he said.

Lane was getting ready for a bath when the torpedo hit — "a thing I'll never do again in the danger zone," he said. "It's lucky I had my shoes and socks on, so I just grabbed my coat and pants and lifejacket and hiked for the boats."

"Our port side lifeboat was blown to atoms when the torpedo hit, so that left us with only one boat, but plenty of life rafts. So we got our one boat launched, but it got swamped because of heavy seas. A few of us got into it and started bailing for dear life."

MET GERMANS

"We managed to pick up a few fellows who were swimming and then we saw Jerry come to the surface to see what kind of a job he had done. I guess, and we had to stop paddling, as we thought he was looking for the boats, so he could machine gun them. But he turned out to be a perfect gentleman, except for the torpedoing, which, after all, was his job, because, when he did locate us (it was a dark night and heavy seas running) he came alongside in the sub to give us one of our crew he had picked up swimming around, which was pretty decent of him. Then he asked us if there was anything we wanted and, of course, we could not ask for much, so we asked him for some cigarettes and matches, which he gave us willingly and believe it or not, they were English Woodbines. He talked perfect English and after awhile he let go our ropes, wished us good luck and away he went. So I guess there are still some good Germans left."

USED SEA ANCHOR

The lifeboat was then about 400 miles from the Scottish coast and the shipwrecked sailors put out their sea anchor to head the craft into the sea. Two days later they came across a lifeboat from another torpedoed ship. It took the St. Malo lifeboat in tow. There were 16 men in the St. Malo boat and 10 in the other. They sailed in that fashion for five days, and then decided to all get in one boat to make more speed.

"So we went on until the most



DOUGLAS LANE

welcome sight I have ever seen, came on the horizon—a ship," Lane wrote. "It was still early morning and dark, so we lit one of our flares with one of our last two matches, but received no answer, so we took another chance and used our last match and happily the ship answered us. She was a rescue tug and believe me, the Queen Mary could not have looked better. We got on board the tug O.K. and found they already had survivors from four other ships—all told we came to 87. When the tug picked us up we had sailed more than 300 miles."

The tug took from Monday to Friday to land the survivors at a Scottish port. Lane went to hospital with eight others suffering from trench feet and he had a nasty wound on his right thigh, caused when something flying from the torpedo hit him.

Douglas told his parents he hoped to see his younger brother Maurice, who is "somewhere in England" with the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry.

Catholic Mission For Chinese Opened

"The Holy Angels' Mission School," a Chinese Catholic kindergarten, was officially opened Thursday afternoon at 806 North Park Street.

Bishop J. C. Cody conducted the opening. There was a large audience of Catholic clergy and others interested in the work among Chinese.

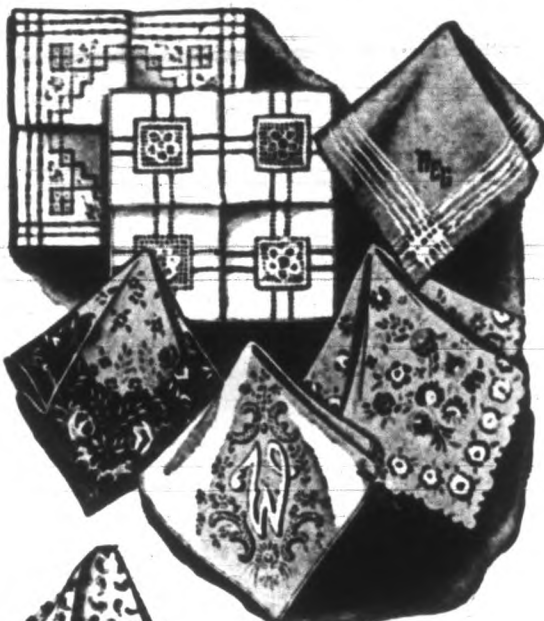
Bishop Cody said that when it was realized what the Catholic Church had done for the Indians of British Columbia, the people would appreciate what was now



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being done on behalf of the Chinese, a deserving people who had striven to be good citizens of Canada.

The mission was established mainly through the efforts of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Angels who came to the city in the early part of this year.

Bishop Baneau of the Mackenzie Diocese spoke of the work of

the Sisters.

Bishop Cody was introduced by Rev. Father W. J. Matte of the Scarborough Foreign Mission who was recalled from China to act as director of the mission.

Visitors to the opening inspected the mission premises which have been redecorated and refreshments were served by members of the Missionary Circle

of the Little Flower, the table being attractively arranged with flowers and candles in silver holders.

Visitors were much interested in the display of Chinese art and curios arranged for the occasion.

U.S. Revenue May Rise

WASHINGTON (AP)—Talk that \$10,000,000,000

as the goal for federal revenue collections in the next fiscal year was heard today in some administrative quarters as President Roosevelt and his advisers studied means of increasing United States taxes.

The \$10,000,000,000 total, if achieved, would be the largest ever collected in peacetime, and would exceed the largest expendi-

tures in any peacetime year before the present defence program began.

Unofficial estimates are that the current year's spending will run about \$12,000,000,000 to \$13,500,000,000. Revenues are expected to approximate \$7,000,000,000.

In the next fiscal year, beginning next July 1, officials expect

a substantial increase in revenues even without new legislation because of better business and the fact some of the taxes levied recently will not be fully effective until then.

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Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

MEMBERS of Victoria's basketball commission are keeping their fingers crossed until tonight's game between the Dominos and Vancouver Tooke's is over. Reason—they are hoping for a much-improved crowd over recent attendances at intercity engagements at the Sports Centre. Last week-end's engagement between the Dominos and Seattle Savoids was expected to go over the top as a pleaser. It failed to attract nearly the anticipated crowd. As a matter of fact Savoids failed to draw as many people as Vancouver Maple Leafs. And there is no comparison between the two teams in the question of cage class.

Had a chat this week with Ab Lindsay, member of the commission, and he informed us his association is at a loss to explain the sudden dropping off of the crowd this season. To date the intercity attractions have not drawn near the number of fans as in previous seasons. As a matter of fact we were led to understand the games in the Sports Centre are not near proving a success financially.

In an effort to draw more people the commissioners stepped out this week and announced a reduction in the admission charge. They want to find out if the prices have anything to do with keeping the spectators away.

Lindsay further informed us that if Tooke's fail to hit the jackpot tonight some changes will have to take place. "We cannot continue under the present conditions," he said. "The commission was responsible for patching up the differences between the Dominos and the Victoria and District League but we are not going into the hole over the staging of these games."

Regular senior men's league games at the Willows are not drawing enough to pay expenses. Despite the fact the commission adopted a new system, staging double-header senior attractions on Wednesday nights, the gate receipts have remained small. The games are just not drawing and the boys are beginning to wonder what's wrong. It begins to look like the people will not go out to the Willows to watch basketball, unless first-class attractions are offered, or else the game is losing its grip in this city.

Lester Patrick is not expecting the good fortune of last year with his New York Rangers regarding injuries. In winning the Stanley Cup hockey experts claimed the Rangers got the breaks through keeping away from the injury jinx. Last season several of the blueliners were forced out of the odd game or so through minor mishaps but there were no serious casualties.

Now, with the season less than a month old, the Rangers have already lost two of their most valuable players through injuries. Art Coulter, captain of the club, and its ranking defence player is on the shelf for several weeks and Thursday night forward Alex Shlubby suffered a broken shoulder that will keep him on the sidelines for at least two weeks. Loss of star players in this fashion can ruin the championship hopes of any club.

Doug Young Goes To Toronto Leafs

MONTREAL (CP)—Doug Young, veteran National Hockey League defenceman, has been claimed at the waiver price from Montreal Canadiens by Toronto Maple Leafs, it was announced last night.

Canadiens had asked waivers on Young before selling him to Buffalo of the American League. It is understood here he will be loaned by Leafs to Providence in the American loop.

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NEW YORK (AP)—Billy Conn added no stars to his fistic crown in beating up befuddled Lee Savold in Madison Square Garden last night. As was reasonably suspected, the punch that used to do no worse than wound middleweights is only a minor irritant to a heavyweight—even to a heavyweight no better able to defend himself than Savold.

The Pittsburgh profile punched the Des Moines boy with everything he had for most of the 12 rounds. At times he even leaped off the floor to see if he could get a little extra weight behind his blows. But nothing happened, and at the end Savold actually looked better than the lad who wants to fight Joe Louis next summer.

Conn had a cut under one eye, whereas Savold bore no mark except an expression of honest bewilderment.

"He is a pretty sharp puncher," Savold said of the light-heavy champion. "Now, he never dazed me. He might do as good against Louis as Pastor did. I dunno."

JACOBS SATISFIED

Promoter Mike Jacobs, even though he saw the fight and heard the boos presented Billy by the crown after it was over, refused to concede that his candidate had not furthered his campaign for a title shot. It was pointed out to him that Savold was only a 187-pounder, and in appearance a trifle muscle-bound, whereas in Louis, Conn would be meeting a great, big, limber fellow.

"I thought he did all right," Mike insisted.

"He licked the guy, didn't he?" "We'll be ready for Johnny Ray," chimed in Johnny Ray, who manages Conn. "Maybe we didn't look so good tonight, but we been having boils up to six months ago."

Pinky George, Savold's pilot, wouldn't speak to his gladiator for some time after the battle. "You had him hurt, two, three times," he finally yelled, "and what did you do? Nothing!" It was true. Savold finally did come out of his trance in the late rounds and hit Billy back a few times, and Billy didn't appear to like it much. But Savold didn't know what to do next.

Al Delaney, 24-year-old heavyweight from Oshawa, Ont., had to keep punching all the way to take a close decision from Willie Pavlovich of Brooklyn, N.Y., in the six round wind-up bout. Delaney dropped Pavlovich for a one count with a heavy right to the head in the fourth round, but once the Brooklynite came up again, it was a close, tough fight.

Recreation Centres

I. Elsenhardt, director, and J. Matheson, provincial chief instructor, visited Victoria and the up-land centres during the week.

All centres at Victoria will be closed for the holidays on December 14 and will reopen again at the beginning of January.

Members of the Recreation Centres have accepted an invitation to give a program at a military camp every Friday evening during December. An interesting program, including dancing, singing, gymnastics, club swinging, tumbling, etc., was much enjoyed at Fort Macaulay on Friday night.



TRACK TO PLANES—Louis Zamperini, former University of South California track star and one of the great mile runners of the world, now holds down job as spot welder in the experimental department of a California aviation plant.

Victoria Daily Times

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Seattle Gloves Tournament Set

SEATTLE—Some of the most famous names in Pacific coast amateur boxing are poised for action in Monday's Golden Gloves.

Dale Mahoney, national junior welterweight champion; Tommy Moyer, class of the western lightweights; Jack Patterson, one of Canada's best heavyweights from Victoria, B.C.; Lynn Ewing, light-heavyweight champion of Oregon and a score of other talented mittmen will make some boxing history at the auditorium.

Their hard training behind, the finest galaxy of boys in the history of the P.I.'s exciting tournament will soon be firing leather.

Eight championships of the Pacific northwest will be decided in the great annual fistic carnival which will decide the team to compete in Los Angeles a week later for western titles.

All over town they are talking about the Golden Gloves, and starting with tomorrow the gladiators will be arriving by bus, train and plane.

List of entries for the big meet was practically complete last night, when the Inland Empire tournament came to a climax. The eight champions will leave soon for the Seattle tournament. Featuring tough, rugged, experienced boys from the Fort Wright C.C.C., ex-collegians from northwest universities and athletic club title holders, the Spokane contingent will be among the favorites.

Howe Moves Into Scoring Leadership

Syd Howe of Detroit broke a first-place tie with Syl Apps of Toronto for the National Hockey League point-scoring leadership last night by picking up a point on an assist as the Red Wings defeated Chicago Black Hawks 3 to 1 in the only scheduled game of the night. This was the only change in the Big Seven.

	G	A	Pts
Howe, Detroit	4	7	11
Apps, Toronto	5	5	10
Drillon, Toronto	5	4	9
Hextall, Rangers	4	5	9
Allen, Chicago	5	2	7
March, Chicago	3	4	7
Watson, Rangers	2	5	7

Trophy Semifinals At Colwood Links

Semifinals of the annual competition for the Dr. F. M. Bryant trophy will be played at the Colwood Golf Club tomorrow.

The draw follows:
9:45 D. Drake and A. E. Osborn vs. J. G. Chanter and T. S. McPherson.

9:50 G. Quincey and C. Denham vs. E. Colgate and F. A. Eves.

A turkey competition will also be held tomorrow. The event will be 18 holes medal on full handicap. It will be open to men and women. Competitors will arrange their own partners and starting times.

RACING RESULTS

BAY MEADOWS—Horse racing results here yesterday follow:
First race—Six furlongs:
Mist Blue Valley (Dev.) \$10.00 \$4.00 \$4.00
Cath (Nev.) 9.00 4.00
Mist Alameda (Fry) 2.00
Time, 1:12 3/4. Also ran: Freddie Duff, Star Kitty, Sweet Shookate, Bush Star, Bitter Queen, Ever Star, Decima, King Black, Dew-Lot.
Second race—Six furlongs:
Mist Blue Valley (Dev.) \$15.00 \$7.00 \$7.00
Ancestral (Lake) 14.00 5.00
Fistful (Franklin) 2.00
Time, 1:13 1/4. Also ran: Bold Lad, Top Tax, Rushing By, Ruffy, Bureka Girl, Managor, Baiting, Jenny.
Third race—One mile:
Rich Bon (Nev.) \$12.00 \$5.00 \$5.00
Rego (Nev.) 1.00 1.25
Bouliana (Bart) 6.25
Time, 1:40. Also ran: Bon Boon, Playful, Wick, Danfield, Purns, Johnnie.
Fourth race—One mile:
Guiding Way (Nev.) \$15.00 \$7.00 \$7.00
Briton Andrew (London) 5.00 4.00
Quercus (Adams) 2.00
Time, 1:41 1/4. Also ran: Vegas John, Co-ordination, Speed Fly, Black Lily, First Vet, Dark Verse, Interview.
Fifth race—Mile and a sixteenth:
Mist Blue Valley (Dev.) \$4.00 \$2.00 \$2.00
Shookumchuck (Franklin) 4.00 3.25
Chrysalis (Westwood) 3.00
Time, 1:47 1/4. Also ran: Ragen, May, Chatterbelly, Prissy Day, Lesta, Sky, Emma, Southern Belle, Don's Stag, Golden Shoe, Detained.
Sixth race—One mile:
Bouliana (Bart) \$5.00 \$2.00 \$2.00
Mist Blue Valley (Dev.) 3.00 2.00
Veldina Ace (Bassett) 4.00
Time, 1:39. Also ran: Molasses Bob, Rockhouse, Hermalstad, Betteo.
Seventh race—Six furlongs:
Short Notice (London) \$4.00 \$2.00 \$2.00
Grey Nite (Bassett) 3.25 2.25
Sedalia (Redington) 2.25
Time, 1:11 1/4. Also ran: The Cloud, Stem-Winder.
Eighth race—Mile and a sixteenth:
Purdie (London) \$8.00 \$4.00 \$4.00
Mist Blue Valley (Dev.) 5.00 4.00
Perryville (Nev.) 2.00
Time, 1:47 3/4. Also ran: Mickey's Boat, The Wanderer, Smoky Mountain, Servus, Misty.

TORONTO (CP)—Hymie Caplin, New York fight manager, arrived here yesterday to make preliminary arrangements for a title bout Monday night between his Los Calica, world bantamweight champion, and Small Montana, challenger.

Caplin is free on bail in connection with a New York gambling investigation.

Canadiens' Goalie



This chap with the big pads and gloves is Bert Gardiner, new net minder of the Montreal Canadiens in the National Hockey League.

Howie McPhee Dead

Had Brilliant Record

VANCOUVER (CP)—Death has taken Howie McPhee from the cinder track where his flashing feet won him fame as one of Canada's greatest sprinters.

Howie died last night at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. D. McPhee, at the age of 24. He collapsed November 12 at interior Grand Forks, where he held a high school teaching position. He had been in a coma ever since.

A representative of Canada at the Berlin Olympics in 1936 and at the British Empire Games in 1938, he was considered one of the greatest athletes ever to represent Canada in international sport.

As an English rugby player he established an outstanding record for his brilliant long runs. While playing here last year he ran 106 yards for a try, a distance believed by rugby officials to be a world record.

In 1938 Howie was a member of a Vancouver rep team that played against Stanford University in California and a southern sports writer described him as the "fastest rugby player in the world."

HELD TWO RECORDS

Howie was the holder of two Canadian track records, the 100 and 27 yards, and was one of the few world sprinters ever to do the century dash in 9.6.

Basketball Tonight

Tookes to Perform

Tookes, Vancouver basketball club, will make its first appearance here this season when it goes up against Dominos at the Sports Centre tonight. The game will start soon after 9. Two other games will precede the intercity clash, the first starting at 7.

Dominos have played two other Vancouver teams this season, the Canadian champion Maple Leafs, and Angelus Hotel, and disposed of them quite nicely.

The story may be different tonight. Tookes are reported to be stronger than last year and showing lots of class. The two teams played a two-game exhibition series at the close of last season and there was little difference.

Yesterday the mainland team signed a new player, Russ Kennington, who will appear tonight. He's the former Vancouver Province ace forward and pointgetter. His addition to the team should mean a lot.

Dominos took it on the button in their last intercity game here. It was last Saturday when the smooth-working S. L. Savidge club from Seattle beat them.

The semiwind-up will be Tillikum Arrows vs. 5th B.C. Coast Brigade of the senior division of the local league. In their last meeting the army boys, paced by Hank Rowe, took the decision. Their get-together tonight should pack a lot of action.

The first game, at 7, will be Young Dominos vs. Hoyle Brown. It will be an intermediate B boys' division fixture. Young Dominos are undefeated this season.

REFRESH CLASS

George Gordon, president of the Victoria and District Basketball League, announced this week that a refreshers' class will be conducted at the Sports Centre tomorrow afternoon.

Joe Folley and A. E. Henderson, Vancouver, provincial referees, will be present. The class will be

Youthful Detroit Squad Rides High in Ice Race

Name Ice Team Duroid Rangers

Duroid Rangers. That is the name of Victoria's new hockey team. Club officials announced today the club will be backed by the Blue Line Transportation Co. and the Sidney Roofing and Paper Co. The club colors will be scarlet, gold and black.

Tomorrow 25 players seeking positions on the club will travel to Nanaimo for the final practice before the opening game in the newly-organized Vancouver Island Intermediate Hockey League next Wednesday.

The following players are asked to meet at the Blue Line taxi office tomorrow morning at 9:30: Curry, Patrick, Spud Taylor, Chuck Taylor, Ritchie, Anderson, Scott, Morgan, McGill, Lewis, Hibbert, Usher, McGill, Cullin, Boag, Curry, Cranston, Lawrence, Webster, Fontana, Semituk, Dumont, Range, Woods and Grafton.

Following the practice the 15 players to represent the team in the opening game will be selected. Several of the club officials will make the trip along with the players tomorrow, including Mike McDonald, president; Ivan Temple, treasurer; Percy Fitzsimmons, manager, and Ed Kelpin, coach.

Senior Soccer Tilt Tomorrow

One first division football match will be run off tomorrow afternoon with Rangers and Saanich Thistles scheduled to clash at Bullen Park, Esquimalt, at 2:30. Dave McMillan will referee.

Rangers and Thistles are tied for last place in the league standings, each with one point earned in three matches to date.

With a chance to leave the cellar spot, each club will be hot after a victory tomorrow. Both teams boast young players and the match should produce lots of action.

POLO TOMORROW

A polo match will be played in the Horseshoe Building at the Willows tomorrow afternoon at 2:30, with two teams of the Victoria Polo Club taking part.

Teams will be composed of: No. 1 team, Jack Ramsley, Lou Moriarty and 2nd Lieut. G. I. Edgewood; No. 2 team, Don Carley, G. G. Baiss and Jerry Aitken.

Hockey Standings

N.H.L.				
	W	L	T	Pts
Toronto	1	2	0	2
Detroit	4	1	0	8
Chicago	1	4	0	2
St. Louis	2	2	1	5
San Jose	2	2	1	5
San Francisco	2	2	1	5
San Diego	2	2	1	5
San Antonio	2	2	1	5
San Jose	2	2	1	5

COAST LEAGUE				
	W	L	T	Pts
Vancouver	5	1	0	10
Portland	5	1	0	10
Seattle	4	2	0	8
Spokane	3	4	0	6

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Louis Holmes (Portland)	8	15	16	
Owen Lennan (Vancouver)	12	14	24	
Frank Derry (Seattle)	7	14	14	
Tip O'Neil (Vancouver)	4	9	8	
Hal Tabor (Seattle)	4	9	8	
Bus Wood (Vancouver)	2	10	4	
Tip O'Neil (Vancouver)	2	10	4	
Jimmy McPadden (Portland)	4	8	8	
Vic Ripley (Portland)	4	8	8	
Dave Downie (Seattle)	4	8	8	
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Little Theatre Seeking Support

Although it is only a few weeks since the Victoria Little Theatre and Dramatic School held the formal opening of its newly-remodeled headquarters on Rockland Avenue, the little playhouse has witnessed much activity, beginning with the very successful run of the hilarious comedy, "Freddie Steps Out."

With His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. E. W. Hamber among the special guests at the inaugural performance, no less than five separate performances of the comedy were given for charitable and patriotic purposes, and nearly 1,000 soldiers, sailors and airmen were able to enjoy the play free of cost.

It is the announced intention of the directors to follow this policy with all plays produced throughout the season, and it is largely with a view to making this possible that a drive for new associate members is about to be launched by the organization.

An excellent and varied program covering the next six months has been arranged, and the committee is making a special point of letting intending members know that the membership fee carries the privilege of free admission to all productions at the Little Theatre during the season.

Following are some of the highlights of the program which has been drawn up:

December—Christmas party, dance, revue, one-act comedy, Christmas tree in aid of the Queen Alexandra Solarium.

January—Three-act drama, "Payment Deferred," under the direction of H. S. Hurn.

February—Comedy-melodrama, "The Drunkard," under the direction of Carroll Aitkens.

April—Comedy, to be selected. This will be under the direction of Stewart Clark.

There will also be at least three evenings of one-act plays, and a special attraction on these nights will be the splendid Little Theatre Orchestra under the direction of Alfred Prescott, conductor of the Victoria Symphony Orchestra.

Military Orders

5TH (B.C.) COAST BRIGADE R.C.A. (N.F.A.M.)

Duties for week ending December 12: Orderly officer, 2nd Lieut. A. G. Brand, M.M.; orderly sergeant, Sgt. H. J. O'Neill; orderly trumpeter, Tpr. L. H. George.

Parades: Wednesday, in forts, 14.30 hrs.; Thursday, Woollen Mills, 20.00 hrs.; Saturday, in forts, 14.30 hrs.

Members of the 56th Battery detailed to parade Wednesdays at Albert Head will parade at Duntz Head instead, assembling outside the gates of Naval Dock yard at 14.20 hours.

2nd Lieut. F. C. Holden, 56th Heavy Battery, is detailed to perform the duties of unit intelligence officer, effective November 29.

VICTORIA TROOP, 1st SEARCHLIGHT BATTERY, R.C.A. (N.F.A.M.)

Duties: Orderly officer, 2nd Lieut. R. A. B. Wootton; orderly sergeant, L. Sgt. A. S. McBride; orderly trumpeter, Tpr. D. F. Wood.

Parades: Tuesday, 19.45 hrs., battery parade; Wednesday, 14.15 hrs., practical of diesels and searchlights; 19.30 hrs., machine gunners (only); 20.00 hrs., signallers (only); Thursday, 19.45 hrs., at Bay Street Armouries; Friday, 19.45 hrs., battery parade; Saturday, 14.15 hrs., practical on diesels and searchlights.

The blind and frantic crusade for peace that swept through the world after the armistice of 1918 is the fundamental cause of the present European conflict.—Dr. Frederick W. Beekman, dean American Cathedral in Paris.

Attractive Dancers at 'Naval Frolic'



Beverley Luff and Patsy Sparka, two charming Victoria youngsters, have come to the fore as a dance team of remarkable talent and versatility. They will appear in "The Naval Frolics," being given by the R.C.N. in the Royal Victoria Theatre this evening. One of their numbers will be their new and original "Tap and Scratch" dance, in which they wear costumes made of sandpaper. Proceeds of "The Naval Frolic" will aid the new Naval Recreation Club, which is designed to provide proper facilities for naval men in their leisure time.

Chief Urges Less Curb-hogging

With the Christmas shopping season underway, this week's message from Chief of Police John A. McLeishan urges the motoring public not to be "curb-hogs" as there will be an ever-increasing demand for parking space by shoppers in the busy downtown blocks during the next three weeks or more.

The one and two-hour parking restrictions were intended to provide a more rapid turnover in parking space, but the chief points out that even with these restrictions great inconvenience to the shopping public could be caused by the thoughtless people who monopolize the downtown curbs.

Continuing, the chief says: "The 'curb hog' is the least valuable of all motorists to the merchant. He drives into town to his office or his club; he has no further use for his car until he drives home at noon. He parks in a busy shopping block because it is most convenient for him. He knows he is safe for an hour. During that hour, four (possibly more) prospective shoppers look in vain for a parking space, and, not finding it, pass on. At the end of the hour, the 'curb hog' decides it is time to 'beat the law' by moving his car a few feet. Having done so, he is safe for another hour, during which time more shoppers are prevented from parking.

"Or a woman telephones she is in a beauty shop and that her car is parked in a one-hour zone. She explains that she has been there 'just an hour' but that the hair-dresser expects to be another 15 minutes. She wants immunity from the law because, as she puts it, 'you know how it is in a beauty shop'."

"Well, we know how it is outside the beauty shop. For an hour her car has deflected business from the block by preventing other motorists having access to the stores. It is no doubt thoughtlessness on her part, but, unless checked, the practice will continue.

"The solution, of course, is to park in an 'off-street,' or on a parking lot, if your business is likely to occupy more than a reasonable length of time. No one



Jean Chiappe Killed in Crash

VICHY (AP)—The Petain-Laval government permitted disclosure today of the death of Jean Chiappe, new High Commissioner for Syria, in a French air transport which crashed November 27.

Chiappe was a former prefect of Paris police.

The airplane carrying Chiappe was brought down over the Italian island of Sardinia and lost with all occupants.

An official announcement said Chiappe was killed after the plane was machine-gunned in a naval engagement between British and Italian warships.

The plane sent out the message: "We are being machine-gunned, plane on fire, SOS." The Vichy government claimed that the transport was "machine-gunned in flight by a British fighter plane."

French planes were sent out from Tunis in an attempt to locate the transport. Searchers reported sighting debris, including an unused lifebelt marked "Air France," near where the plane was reported downed.

The crew of the plane included the widely-known French long distance flier, Henri Guillaumet, a co-pilot named Reine who in 1928 was ransomed from African tribesmen who had seized him when he was forced down while flying air mail to Dakar, and three others not immediately identified.

NO RESCUE

The communique said the delay in announcing the loss of the plane was caused by hope that some aboard might have been rescued by warships.

"Today," it said, "information furnished us permits no more doubt that the plane was completely lost, carrying to their deaths the passengers and crew."

Leon Daudet, editor of the monarchist newspaper Action Francaise, paid tribute to Chiappe two days ago as an "irreproachably gallant man" and for what he regarded as his courage in opposing the French Popular Front.

Daudet was arrested 10 years ago by Chiappe, then prefect of Paris police, for resisting arrest and barricading himself in his newspaper office.

At the time the editor's tribute was printed no news of Chiappe's death had been published. Although it was known in Vichy early the night of November 27, the censor forbade its publication.

LONDON, Ont. (CP)—Convicted of two charges under the Defence of Canada Regulations, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Leeson were fined \$300 each and sentenced to four months in jail with additional terms of three months on failure to pay the fines. Trial of the couple was held a month ago.

Arrested after two of their children refused to take part in patriotic exercises in school, they were charged with advocating the principles of Jehovah's Witnesses, an illegal organization, and with making statements intended or likely to cause disaffection to the King.

Eric J. Wilson, general agent of the Northwestern National Life at Seattle, will address the Victoria and Island Life Underwriters' Association next Monday in Spencer's dining-room, at 12.30. His talk will be an extract from his book, entitled "There Are No Strangers."

Letters From England

Time Bomb Seen To Be Secret Weapon

Since Coventry was showered with bombs H. W. Packwood has had no word from relatives living in that city, several of whom are employed in the munitions factory there.

Just prior to the main attack on Coventry by German bombers Mr. Packwood received a letter from his sister, Mrs. H. White, in which she described the nightly bombings.

"Each night at 7.40 the sirens start to sound, and they usually sound the all-clear signal at 11 p.m.," Mrs. White wrote. "Every minute we are dreading our turn next."

"The time bomb seems to be Germany's secret weapon. A few minutes after a raid I was talking to a man who had hidden under his stairway during the raid and a time bomb dropped two yards away from where he was

seeking protection. We could hear it ticking as it lay buried in the ground. Everyone in the neighborhood grabbed their clothes and whatever they could get their hands on and ran for shelter, or what there was of it. "Many people near us have been killed, but a lot of them manage to escape, as the time bombs take a fortnight to go off. The men remove them to one end of the city and then let them off."

"Last week the soldiers came to the house and told us to leave all the doors and windows open so they wouldn't be smashed by the explosions. We like to hear the guns going off when the planes go over, but they are due for a hotter reception when they come back the next time."

Mr. Packwood also received a letter from his mother shortly before the main attack, telling of a

visit paid to the area by the King. "After one of the raids the King visited us and told us we were a great people, and we told him that he was a great King," she wrote. "We can thank God for a good King and Queen."

Wants Leaves, Skins To Cover Totems

Louis LeBourdais, L. L. Cariboo, poked a little innocent fun at Victoria's new Thunderbird Park, at the corner of Belleville and Douglas, in the Legislature yesterday.

He looked quite embarrassed, as, with gestures, he suggested that two totem poles should have some fig leaves or buckskins to cover their stark nakedness.

CHINESE MISSION

Today is being observed as a special missionary day in the Anglican Good Hope Mission with intercessions in the chapel. The Sacrament of Holy Baptism will be held at 8 this evening. Rev. Clarence Lee will speak in Chi-

THE WEATHER

VICTORIA, 5 a.m. today—Forecast has been rapidly over British Columbia and a deep disturbance is slowly approaching this coast from westward. The weather has been cloudy and mild throughout this province. It continues cold in the prairie provinces.

Victoria—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, max. 51, min. 42; wind, 2 miles W.; precip., 0; fair.

Vancouver—Barometer, 30.18; temperature, max. 54, min. 36; wind, 2 miles E.S.; precip., 0; cloudy.

Prince Rupert—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, max. 44, min. 20; calm; cloudy.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.05; temperature, max. 61, min. 45; wind, 3 miles S.E.; fair.

	Max.	Min.
Victoria	51	42
Nanaimo	50	40
Vancouver	54	36
New Westminster	54	41
Prince Rupert	44	20
Dawson	0	-5
Seattle	54	40
Portland	53	39
San Francisco	61	45
Cambridge	50	38
Prince George	54	27
Edmonton	50	21
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HONOR MEMORY OF ST. ANDREW

The patron saint of Scotland was honored in traditional style last night at the annual St. Andrew's Day celebration by the St. Andrew's and Caledonian Society in the A.O.F. Hall.

A large number of people gathered in the hall to witness the program of Scottish airs, pipe selections and Highland dances. Many well-known local artists contributed to the evening's entertainment, one of them, Robert Morrison, making his 32nd consecutive appearance at the society's annual St. Andrew's Night.

Rev. John Turner gave a brief address on St. Andrew.

Artists taking part included: Miss Carol Menzies, Stanley Honeychurch, Mrs. J. H. Ratcliffe, John Bell, Miss Marion Mitchell, James Matheson, Mrs. C. A. Goodwin and Robert Morrison, vocalists; D. McFarlane, brass whistler; Bert Cartwright, violinist; Miss

Elma Morbey, recitations; Miss Walter Burgess, and the Misses Lillian Grant, pipe selections, and Gwena Dewar, Lorna Doull, Georgina Moore and Helen Burgess, Highland dancing. Mrs. Bert Cartwright and Miss Christina Honeychurch were accompanists.

Following the concert, refreshments were served and dancing of Scottish reels and quadrilles were enjoyed. The ceremonial grand march was led by Pipers Douglas Porteous and David Miller, 2nd Battalion, Canadian Scottish Regiment, C.A.S.F.

COLUMNIST TO SPEAK IN CITY

Marquis W. Childs, Washington correspondent of the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and writer of the column "Washington Calling," will be in the city Tuesday to address the local branch of the Canadian Institute of Pacific Affairs.

On Monday, Mr. Childs will speak before the Vancouver Canadian Club on "America's Foreign Policy."

ST. MARY'S

Thirty Scouts and leaders attended the meeting of St. Mary's Troop on Friday evening which was opened by Duty Patrol Leader Norman Pickles. After inspection there was a period of drill and a lively game. Instruction was carried on by the patrols in their corners. After a few more games the meeting closed.



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Broadcast 'Frolics'

Owing to the fact that the Royal Victoria Theatre has been sold out for the "Naval Frolics" tonight, arrangements have been made to broadcast the entire program over CFCT. The program will start at 8.15.

TOWN TOPICS

The Douglas Street Baptist Young People's Association spent an enjoyable evening entertaining a number of soldiers from Work Point and the Armories.

Bank clearings for the month of November were \$7,953,266, Victoria Clearing House officials reported today. Clearings for November of last year were \$7,593,385.

Figures were being compiled at the City Hall today on costs entailed by the city should it be included in the federal government's proposed unemployment insurance scheme.

The Social Credit Society will meet Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Davies, 3038 Cedar Hill Road, at 8, followed by a social evening under the auspices of the social committee.

Members of the Scottish Societies of Victoria are reminded of the church parade to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church tomorrow night at 7.30, when it is hoped there will be a large turnout.

Traffic fines in City Police Court today amounted to \$35. Two motorists were fined \$10 each for speeding, two the same for having no driver's licenses and two for violating parking regulations.

Bill Herbert, former Victoria reporter, and Jack Peach and Basil Hinton, all members of the CBC's Vancouver staff, are in Victoria to handle the network presentation of "Naval Frolics" to be released tonight at 9.

Tomorrow night at the Dominion Hotel, a meeting of the Victoria Retail Druggists' Association will be held, starting at 10. The speaker will be D. K. Bell, Vancouver, newly appointed administrator of the British Columbia Pharmaceutical Association.

The Shantymen, a fellowship association, will hold a fellowship and welcome gathering in the Y.W.C.A. tonight at 8.30. John L. Davey, who is en route to Martinique to represent the World-wide Evangelization Crusade, of which the late C. T. Studt was the founder; Lantern slides will be shown.

Annual meeting of Ward 5 Liberal Association will be held at headquarters on Wednesday for the purpose of receiving reports and electing five members to the executive and confirming the election of the officers, who have all been re-elected by acclamation as follows: President, H. W. Davey; vice-president, R. V. Jenkin; treasurer, B. F. Shephard; secretary, E. M. Whyte.

A concert of operatic music and song will be presented by the Victoria Grand Opera Association tonight at 8.30 at the clubrooms, 4753 Rockland Avenue. Artists appearing include Dorothy Parsons, Olive Batchelor, Vivian McCahill, Hilda Broadhurst, William Cobbett, George Farmer, Ralph Fromson, Arthur Jackman, James McVie, David Oldham and Frank Cox.

The Saskatchewan Association of Greater Victoria will hold a social on Monday night at 8.30, at the A.O.F. Hall, Cormorant Street. Community singing will be followed with dancing from 9 to 1 with the usual orchestra in attendance. Refreshments will be served. J. E. Cooper will act as M.C., assisted by J. E. Neely and C. Hastings. The Ladies' Auxiliary of the association will hold a court whist party on Monday, December 16, at the Women's Institute rooms, 635 Fort Street.

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Hudson's Bay Show This Morning

Santa Claus came to Victoria today! The merry old chap thrilled hundreds of youngsters who attended the Hudson's Bay Company annual Christmas shows at the Capitol Theatre this morning, proceeds from which will be given to the Queen Alexandra Solarium.

Saint Nick was greeted with shrill cheers and loud clapping of hands as he appeared on the stage in his fur-trimmed scarlet jacket, baggy pants and big black boots, and as the noise subsided, one little girl unconsciously echoed the feeling of every youngster present, her excited voice piping, "Look, Lena! Isn't he a nice Santa?"

"Have you been good boys and girls?" he asked, and the excited kiddies bobbing in their seats enthusiastically chorused, "Yes!"

Santa arrived during a stage show which was being presented by pupils of Violet Fowkes' Studio of the Dance. The gaily costumed dancers and singers clustered about him and after he had said "hello to everyone, the show continued.

The theatre was packed for both shows. The first started at 9 and the second at 10.30. The children, many of them with their parents, older brothers and sisters, started to line up at the theatre doors as early as 8. They soon filled the theatre for the first show and the second queue started to form.

The program opened with a short film, "World's Fair Junior," in which child actors and actresses gave a musical review.

"When is Santa Claus coming?" someone worriedly asked.

Popeye the Sailor then came on the screen and the arrival of Santa was forgotten for a minutes or two. Popeye ate his can of spinach and everyone was happy. The title of the cartoon was "Onion Pacific."

Then the stage lights came on and everyone started to clap their hands again, whispering ex-

City Tops Building

Surging along on the crest of the biggest building boom it has known since predepression days, Victoria today showed a construction total for the first 11 months of this year of \$1,568,144.

The values were nearly double those of Spanish, second in the list and first in the erection of new homes.

Victoria's total covered 783 projects, including 77 worth \$89,381 undertaken in November. Last year at the same date 677 projects had been started with a value of \$675,251. In November, 1939, a total of 59 permits were issued for work worth \$66,954.

SAANICH NEAR \$800,000 MARK

Permits to construct 353 new dwellings, at a cost of \$736,749, were taken out during the 11 months in Saanich. In the same period last year permits were issued for 223 dwellings, valued at \$458,930.

Total number of permits issued this year was 618, their value being \$792,665. Last year 411 papers were granted with a value of \$322,062.

In November this year 45 permits for work costing \$46,958 were issued, 19 for dwellings valued at \$40,800. In November, 1939, 36 permits were issued with a total value of \$32,097. These included 15 dwellings worth \$28,000.

Three Saanich permits were granted this week. One went to Mrs. Maltwood to build a \$2,200 art gallery at Quadra and East Saanich Roads and another for \$1,500 alterations to a Gorge Road West apartment.

Legislature's Last Week

When it adjourned for the week-end last night at 11.15, the B.C. Legislature was ready to enter the home stretch in the dash for prorogation about next Thursday or Friday.

Consideration of the estimates was virtually completed, paving the way for formal introduction of the supply bill at the beginning of the week. Notice was given that three sittings a day will commence, but few morning sessions may be necessary because the order paper is comparatively clear.

Major issue next week is expected to be the new teachers' pension bill, yet to be introduced. Municipal delegations are planning visits to the government to protest against the imposition of a 7 per cent levy on teachers' payroll lists to establish the pension fund.

Most of the committees have

Obituaries

BELOVED RECTOR IS LAID TO REST

The Church of Our Lord, Humboldt Street, was filled this morning for the funeral at 11 of Rev. Arthur de B. Owen, for 25 years its rector. In the large congregation were many parishioners, as well as clergy of all denominations, managers of the B.C. Protestant Orphans' Home and its ladies' committee, and representatives of the L.O.O.F. and Royal Orange Lodge, to both of which orders he had belonged for many years.

Rev. G. H. Scarrett conducted the simple service, assisted by Canon E. V. Bird, the new rector, and Rev. T. H. Laundry. The 23rd Psalms, and the hymns "Unto the Hills" and "Abide With Me" were sung.

Interment was at Royal Oak. Pallbearers were: Cecil Laundry and Frank M. Shandley, representing the Church of Our Lord; Thomas A. Burgess and James R. Smith, I.O.O.F., and D. F. Collins and Wm. M. Macell, the Orange Lodge.

FARRINGTON—Funeral services for Stanley Farrington will be held on Monday afternoon at 2 in Sands Mortuary Chapel. Rev. F. W. McKinnon will officiate; interment at Royal Oak.

DIXON—Margaret Ellen Dixon, wife of Ambrose Dixon of 1028 Summit Avenue, died at her home today in her 57th year. Born at Toronto, Ont., Mrs. Dixon has resided here for eight years. Funeral arrangements will be announced later by Sands Mortuary Ltd.

GIVENS—Rev. J. L. W. McLean will conduct funeral services for John Walter Givens at Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel on Monday afternoon at 2; interment at Ross Bay.

CLARE—Funeral service for Walter Matthew Clare will be held on Monday afternoon at 2 in St. Alban's Church. Rev. F. Comley officiating. Interment at Colwood. McCall Bros. have charge of arrangements.

SCAFFE—The funeral of William Scaffe, Langford pioneer, was held this morning, leaving Hayward's Funeral Co. at 7.45 for St. Andrew's Cathedral, where Mgr. A. G. Baker sang Requiem Mass. Interment was at Colwood, pallbearers being D. B. F. Bullen, A. F. Wake, D. Newham, F. Newham, A. Rainville and A. Aikman.

MACKAY—Rev. Hugh A. McLeod conducted services in First United Church yesterday afternoon for Mrs. Jean MacKay. Interment was at Colwood, with the following as pallbearers: A. MacDonald, J. MacDonald, R. L. Cox, W. Darling, J. B. Munro and J. A. B. Crawford. McCall Bros. were in charge of arrangements.

STRANGMAN—The funeral of Capt. Richard Hedy Strangman took place yesterday afternoon from Central Baptist Church. Rev. Dr. J. B. Rowell conducted the services. Interment was at Colwood, with the following as pallbearers: R. H. Standerwick, B. J. Smith, A. Coombs and C. C. Cooper. McCall Bros. were in charge of arrangements.

CHISHOLM—George Roderick Chisholm, retired banker, of 1803 Oak Bay Avenue, died yesterday at St. Joseph's Hospital, aged 81. He was a native of Nova Scotia and was a former resident of Winnipeg, where he held the position of chief inspector of the Royal Bank for the middle west.

He had been a resident of Victoria for 19 years and was a member of St. Andrew's Lodge No. 49, A.F. and A.M., and Camosun Lodge No. 14, Royal Arch Chapter of Victoria. The remains will rest at the Thomson Funeral Home till Tuesday morning, when they will be removed to the family residence where Rev. J. L. W. McLean will conduct service at 2.30. Interment at Royal Oak.

FINISH GIVING CROWN EVIDENCE

The Defence of Canada trial of Robert, Mary, Roy and Howard Mezger was adjourned to next Friday in Oak Bay Police Court yesterday afternoon after the Crown had completed presentation of its evidence.

The four Mezgers are standing trial as a result of a quantity of Communist literature found at 568 Victoria Avenue. Stuart Henderson is defending Mr. and Mrs. (Mary) Robert Mezger, and Robert Stanton, Vancouver, is counsel for Howard and Roy.

The adjournment was given to permit defence counsel time to examine the contents of a small suitcase found in a room at 568 Victoria Avenue, allegedly occupied by a man named Webster.

While Mr. Stanton was conducting his cross-examination of Sgt. W. Clavay of the Oak Bay police department, the suitcase was introduced. On preliminary examination it was learned the suitcase contained four envelopes bearing the name "Webster." There were other items in the valise which were not examined in court yesterday.

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Cross-examination of Crown witnesses, Constable Ballard, R.C.M.P., and Constable Clayards, drew from both witnesses that "it was possible" the accused persons did not have any connection with the literature found in the kitchen range and in a closet. Neither could confirm nor deny whether the papers belonged to Webster.

Sergeant Clayards said that Robert Mezger had told Sergeant W. Withers of the R.C.M.P. that he did not know the literature was in the house when it was uncovered. Robert, he said, told one of the searching party that one of the rooms was occupied by Webster.

With nominations for the civic elections closing in five days, indications today pointed to acclamations for Mayor Andrew McGavin and three aspirants for school board posts. In the council field, however, there were twice as many candidates as there were seats.

Should the mayor be returned unopposed, he would equal one civic record and establish another. With the exception of his predecessor, the late David Leeming, no Victoria mayor has held office for five continuous years. If the mayor goes back he will have equalled that mark.

Should he be unopposed he will be the first to secure a fourth and fifth term by acclamation. Mayor McGavin attained the post of chief magistrate in the civic elections of December, 1936, when he came from the aldermanic ranks to defeat the late Mayor Leeming. He overcame the challenge of former Alderman J. D. Hunter the succeeding year and defeated the late James Adam, another alderman, for the 1939 term. Last December he was not opposed.

Two of the incumbents seeking return to the school board have still to be elected on a vote. Trustees Margaret Christie and R. H. Green have both been put in office twice by acclamation, and this year, appear headed for another two-year term without a poll.

ALDERMANIC CONTEST—In the aldermanic field the picture remains similar to that of other years. There is opposition for the five sitting members whose terms expire this year. Those who must go to the people to remain in office are: Aldermen Archie Willis, John A. Worthington, D. D. McTavish, T. W. Hawkins and W. L. Morgan.

The entry of John Day and Percy Humber this week raised to six the number of outsiders who will oppose them. Mr. Humber, 616 Gorge Road, son of former Alderman Russ Humber, is campaigning on a platform calling for construction of a civic arena.

Others seeking election in that department are: Percy George, retiring chairman of the city school board; P. J. Sinnott; D. W. Todd, a former alderman; and Mrs. Alice McGregor, a veteran campaigner making her 13th bid for civic office.

Mr. Day, a sanitary engineer and resident of the city for the last 28 years, has been a frequent entry in the aldermanic lists. For some time he was secretary of the Victoria Ratepayers' Association.

He stands on a platform of economy and offers his experience as a sanitary engineer in matters related to the health of the city. Nominations will be received up to 2 next Thursday afternoon in the City Council chamber. The elections will be held the following Thursday, December 12, in the City Market Building.

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Told in strikingly realistic fashion,
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Ward 1: C.C.F. Hall, Richmond Rd.
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Tuesday, Dec. 10, 1940—
Ward 4: Marigold Institute Hall.
Wednesday, Dec. 11, 1940—
Ward 2: St. Mark's Hall, Boleskine Road.
Thursday, Dec. 12, 1940—
Ward 5: Royal Oak Community Hall
Ward 6: Keating Temperance Hall.
Friday, Dec. 13, 1940—
Ward 7: Hampton Hall.
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'City for Conquest' Now at Capitol

Both the old home front of the Jimmy Cagney, on 69th Street, and the tenement in which Scenarist John Wexley lived as a boy on 109th Street, New York, were recreated for part of the typical metropolitan background in Cagney and Ann Sheridan's co-starring film "City for Conquest," opening at the Capitol Theatre today. Wexley did the screen adaptation of the story from Novelist Aben Kandel's book. Anatole Litvak directed.

'Untamed' Blizzard Filmed in Color

How many tons of snow does it take to make a good blizzard? Paramount knows the answer because it had to create what is reported to be the longest and most ambitious blizzard ever filmed, and moreover, the first ever to be photographed in technicolor. This was in "Untamed," which co-stars Ray Milland, Patricia Morison and Akim Tamiroff, and opening at the Atlas Theatre Monday.

The snow had to be spread over an extensive studio set—a reproduction of an actual forest in Great Bear Lake. Two weeks were required to "snow in" the set.

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(A Special Address to Young People)

10.45 a.m.—Church School—Intermediate and Senior

11 a.m.—Junior, Beginners, Primary

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7:30 p.m.—"GARDEN OF EDEN"

1 a.m.—Public Worship
"FRAYER vs Temptations"
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(For complete list of questions see Front Story this page)

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PLEAD FOR BLIND

Conservative Leader Maitland and Mrs. D. G. Steeves, C.C.F. Vancouver North, in the Legislature yesterday pleaded with the government to better working conditions for the blind.

Mrs. Steeves said that in blind workshops of the province men had to work 30 hours a week and in many cases received only \$25 a month, and were responsible for a certain output. "These unfortunate people should not be

exposed to the humiliating conditions of relief," she said. "Blind workers should not be exploited. It is not right the blind should have to go to charitable institutions to beg and trade for everything they need."

"They should consider the work given them a right, not something to be thankful for," she said. "The blind are workers, not welfare cases."

Mrs. Steeves felt the government should administer the affairs of the blind, and not leave such important work to private organizations.

Mr. Maitland said the government had bumped up expenditures of other departments, but had paid little attention to the blind. He noted the vote for the blind was the same as it had been when there were just half as many blind in the province.

Hon. G. M. Weir, Provincial Secretary, said his department had the matter under advisement and he felt sure something would be done to better conditions for the blind.

While Provincial Secretary's estimates were being passed, J. A. Paton, Conservative, Vancouver Point Grey, said some employees at Tranquille were not quite as British in their talk as they should be and he urged that they be checked up.

Aid Arranged For Single Men

An agreement between Vancouver city and the provincial government to deal with the congregation of unemployed single men in Vancouver will be worked out, the Legislature was assured yesterday by Mayor Lyle Telford and Hon. George S. Pearson, Minister of Labor.

The mayor said it was difficult to estimate the number of men needing assistance, but there was considerable panhandling and begging at homes now in progress. He said the men had held a parade but it did not amount to much.

He suggested the opening of a central registration office towards which the province would contribute.

Mr. Pearson said the government would agree to any reasonable proposition. He said Relief Administrator E. W. Griffith had gone to Vancouver to work out a plan with W. R. Bone, Vancouver relief officer.

The labor minister mentioned that his officers could place 50 men on farms but none appeared to want to go.

He said he could offer the services of a special officer who could contact sawmills and probably find openings for a number of men.

In honor of their federal member, Second-Lieut. Alan Chambers, who has recently returned from Ottawa, the Esquimalt Liberal Association will hold a social and dance in the Colwood Hall on Tuesday evening at 8. Members and friends will be welcomed and a good program is being arranged.

Will Force Care Of Aged Parents

A bill designed to remove one cause of friction in the administration of old age pensions was brought down in the Legislature last night by Hon. G. M. Weir, Provincial Secretary.

It amends the Parents' Maintenance Act and concerns the pension rule that allowances will not be granted old people whose children are in a position to support them.

The bill provides that where a pension is denied for this reason, the Workmen's Compensation Board, which administers the pension law, must take action against the children to force them to support the parent.

This matter has been the source of considerable complaint in the Legislature. Critics pointed out that the rule was the cause of much ill-feeling among families. Aged people were denied pensions because their children could support them, but had too much pride to ask them for it. Under the new clause the compensation board will take the action officially.

During discussion of estimates Hon. George S. Pearson, Minister of Labor, agreed with Mrs. D. G. Steeves, C.C.F. North Vancouver, that administration of the pension regulation that requires children to keep their parents if possible was entirely too rigid.

He said this apparently was done at the insistence of the federal government because of some abuses that had developed.

SOUGHT MODIFICATION

At the last conference in Ottawa on the subject he had submitted representations that the rule be modified. Instead it was made more rigid.

"Our Premier has taken a very strong stand in favor of better old age pension laws," Mr. Pearson said, "and I hope when we go down to the conference in January something can be done about this. I would call it the worst feature of the present old age pension administration."

"Nothing was worrying the people more than their old age," R. W. Bruhn, Conservative, Salmon Arm, said.

Premier Pattullo interjected with: "I expect to die in harness." "That's all very well for you, you're a wealthy man, but what about the rest of us?" asked Mr. Bruhn. He said he also thought the rule about children supporting their parents was too strictly enforced.

OBLIGATION

"Don't you think children owe any obligation to their parents?" asked G. M. Murray, Liberal, Lillooet.

"No, not the way we've squandered the wealth of their country," Mr. Bruhn said.

"No, definitely," cried E. E. Winch.

Leslie Eyres, Conservative, Chilliwack, said the pension was not relief, rather it was a reward for services rendered the country. He thought that if Senators were put on \$20 a month for a year the pensions would be raised.

"It is not humane that I should have to sue my son before I get the pension," Leader of the Opposition Maitland said.

Old age pensions next year in B.C. are estimated to cost \$3,444,126, of which the provincial government contributes \$726,758.

HOSPITAL CASE

St. Paul's Hospital, Vancouver, and its recent labor troubles, was debated again in the Legislature last night.

Dr. J. J. Gillis, Liberal, Yale, said the hospital had not used coercion or discrimination.

He said Labor Minister Pearson should have gone to St. Paul's and learned the facts of the case at first hand.

"The present Minister of Labor is one of the best we have ever had, but he has one fault—he stays too much in his office," Dr. Gillis said.

"Did Mr. Coady (J. M. Coady, St. Paul's counsel) not tell you I went to Vancouver and discussed the matter with him?" asked the minister.

"He did," Gillis replied, "but apparently he didn't convert you."

Dr. Gillis said the minister should have gone to the hospital and talked the matter over with the authorities, instead of sending a subordinate.

Mr. Pearson said, "I hate to say this, but the honorable gentleman (Dr. Gillis) doesn't know the circumstances of this case."

"Excuse me, you're only taking one side of it," Dr. Gillis said to the minister. "I have some rights in this house and I'm not going to be told what to do by anyone." He later in the debate said: "The minister should check up more frequently, in my humble opinion."

E. E. Winch, C.C.F. Burnaby, said Dr. Gillis did not know the real facts of the case.

Honor Retiring Accountant



Friends of Henry Shaw, Esquimalt naval dockyard chief accountant, gathered this week to present him with a clock and a smoker's cabinet on his retirement after 30 years' service. Those in the above picture are: Front row, left to right, J. H. Delves, G. Aish, Geo. Phillips, Commodore W. J. R. Beech, Henry Shaw, Engr. Capt. G. L. Stephens, Pay-Lieut. G. A. Heal, and C. J. Wright; second row, J. Moulson, W. T. Longworth, W. Low, W. Benson, T. Miller, J. A. Mossop, G. A. Renton, Lieut. J. E. Hutchings, R. Ryley and W. S. Davey; back row, J. J. Comerford, D. Wickens, J. Linn, J. McAlpine, R. Hough, H. Reid, V. Henry and A. Geddes.

Burnaby Debt Plan Presented

Debts of the municipality of Burnaby will be refunded under a bill brought down in the Legislature yesterday by Hon. A. Wells Gray, Minister of Municipal Affairs.

It provides for ratification by the government of a deal with the bondholders when a majority of them, in value of holdings, have agreed.

The district's bonded debt, amounting to \$2,895,172, will be refunded into a new issue of 25-year debentures bearing 2½ per cent interest for the first five years, 3½ per cent for the next 10 years and 4 per cent beyond that date.

A debt of \$170,000 to the Royal Bank of Canada will be paid \$20,000 in cash from present sinking funds and \$150,000 in 4½ per cent debentures, to be redeemed at the rate of \$10,000 a year.

The province, which is a creditor to the extent of \$189,543, will get \$29,543 in cash from the sinking funds, and the balance of \$160,000 in annual instalments of \$10,000 each.

A board of debt retirement fund trustees will be set up and the provincial government will have control of future financing in the district. Approval of the municipal minister will be required for the district to dispose of assets or to float any new loans, and the annual estimates must be submitted for his approval each year.

Another municipal refunding plan, for \$196,500 City of Rossland debentures became law yesterday. Lieutenant-Governor E. W. Hamber made a special trip to the House to assent to the measure so that necessary steps to carry out the plan can be initiated immediately.

WOULD REDUCE UTILITIES BOARD

R. L. Maitland, K.C., Conservative leader, told the government last night in the Legislature it would save money by reducing the public utilities commission from a three-man to a one-man board.

He declared that the salary lists for the utilities commission and the Coal and Petroleum Products Control Board totaled between \$80,000 and \$90,000 and should be reduced.

"And I suppose if we had set up a one-man commission first you'd tell us now it should be a three-man board," said the Premier.

"I'm advocating this because things have changed since the board was set up," replied the Conservative leader. "These are the days when we want to save the taxpayers every penny possible so that their money can go into the war effort."

The Premier explained that the same man, Dr. W. A. Carrothers, was already handling the two boards. "An excellent organization had been set up under the three-man utilities board, and it would be folly to change now."

Voices Opposition To Bartering Areas

LONDON (CP)—When the Commons meets again next week Prime Minister Churchill will be asked if he will give the House assurance that the government will not barter the sovereignty of any British territory in return for war supplies from any foreign country.

Oliver Simmons, Conservative, has given notice of the question. It is believed to have been prompted by recent unofficial

PAULINE PENSION

The \$4,200 annual pension paid to F. A. Pauline, former British Columbia agent-general in London received scant attention in the Legislature this year.

As usual Samuel Guthrie, C.C.F., Cowichan-Newcastle, brought up the matter. But he was quickly called to order by the chairman who explained the pension was authorized by statute and not open to debate.

Yesterday Mr. Guthrie said he went to Cowichan last Saturday and on the bus talked to an old man who was getting a \$13 old age pension.

"And yet we have another old man, an ex-Liberal, who is getting \$4,200 a year," he said, adding, "I think this is disgraceful."

"You're out of order," said Chairman R. H. Carson, Liberal, Kamloops.

"Well then, if I'm out of order then so is this pension to that old man out of order," Mr. Guthrie said as he sat down.

In the estimates the pension comes under the following heading, authorized by statute, "an act to provide for the payment of an allowance to Frederick Arthur Pauline."

241 Victoria Mental Cases in 5 Years

Apologizing if members thought that mental hospitals were becoming to him like King Charles' head, Ernest E. Winch, C.C.F. member for Burnaby, told B.C. legislators yesterday it was time they realized what a really serious public problem mental illness was becoming.

Pointing at R. H. Carson, Kamloops, the supply committee chairman, he said:

"Do you know that 61 people from Kamloops have gone to Esquimalt in the last five years?"

"You don't hold the member responsible?" smiled R. W. Bruhn, Conservative, Salmon Arm.

"Not entirely," Mr. Winch smiled back.

Then he went on. Vancouver had sent 1,725 cases to the mental hospitals in five years, Victoria 241, Prince Rupert 26—the Premier will be astounded to know that—and in Burnaby he said it was appalling because lack of work and poor conditions was one of the greatest causes of mental illness.

Mr. Winch quoted from reports and statistics of all kinds, demanding more public attention to the problem.

PRICE OF MILK

L. A. Shepherd, C.C.F., Delta, seized the mental hospital estimates as an opportunity to prove that Fraser Valley farmers were not being paid enough for milk. Cost of production at the Essonvale colony farm worked out at 54 cents a pound butterfat, he said, while the Vancouver General Hospital got milk delivered on a rate of 40 cents a pound butterfat. Either the costs at the colony farm were enormously high or else the farmers supplying the general hospital were getting next to nothing for their milk, he said.

During discussion on the Provincial Secretary's estimates, Hon. G. M. Weir assured Capt. J. D. Hunter, Victoria Conservative, he will press Ottawa for building of a \$450,000 tuberculosis hospital for Indians. Money for the project had been included in the federal estimates, he said, but was diverted for war purposes.

The minister also announced that a special vote of \$5,000 is being made this year, devoted entirely to a campaign of public education in sound health practices.

discussion of possible trades of British colonies in the western hemisphere for munitions from the United States.

Maitland Probes Supply Accounts

R. L. Maitland, K.C., Conservative leader, demanded in public accounts committee of the Legislature yesterday the production of vouchers and tenders for supplies purchased by the government in several interior ridings.

Mr. Maitland produced a letter from a man who has a mill at Burns Lake. The writer claimed he had no chance to bid on timber for a bridge over Nourse Creek, and knew nothing about the project until the Fraser Lake Sawmills started to deliver the lumber.

The Conservative leader did not read the full letter, but passed it over to committee chairman E. T. Kenney, Liberal, Skeena.

Mr. Kenney said the letter contained some "pretty foul charges," and wanted to know if Mr. Maitland was backing them up. The Conservative leader said, however, he was making no charges and was simply producing the letter for the committee's information.

Mr. Maitland asked F. H. Harrison, purchasing agent, to produce vouchers dealing with orders given the Hamilton Garage at Golden, and the Big Bend Cedar Pole Company in Kaslo-Slocan district. The committee will meet next week to go into these.

Government Aided New T.B. Unit

Building of St. Joseph's Villa, the T.B. unit of St. Joseph's Hospital, was not entirely a government undertaking, Hon. G. M. Weir, Provincial Secretary, said in the Legislature yesterday replying to a question from Dr. J. D. Hunter, Conservative, Victoria.

Dr. Weir said the government made a grant towards its construction. Dr. Hunter also asked if the government had made a grant towards construction of Mount St. Mary's Hospital, now nearing completion at the corner of Vancouver and Burdette. Dr. Weir said he would get the figures and let Dr. Hunter have them.

Dr. Hunter pleaded for more preventive work in connection with tuberculosis among Indians.

"The war is no excuse for not looking after this matter," he said. "Health matters are of even greater importance in war time than in time of peace. He wondered whether the federal government was really alive to the T.B. situation among Indians in this province. He also asked that T.B. patients be removed from Esquimalt."

The \$3,540 salary of C. F. Bandfield, King's Printer, was briefly debated when estimates for the Provincial Secretary's department were being passed.

E. T. Kenney, Liberal, Skeena, said the salary was not consistent with the work the King's Printer was doing. Dr. Weir replied the King's Printer was given a bonus for extra work he did during the session.

Mrs. D. G. Steeves suggested the superintendent of neglected children be called the superintendent of child welfare. Dr. Weir agreed.

Opposition leader Maitland said it was high time W. A. McAdam, acting agent-general in London was made agent-general, especially in such trying times. G. M. Murray, Liberal, Lillooet, paid tribute to Mr. McAdam's work and said he was of great help to British Columbia soldiers.

Four dictators today control the destiny of 500,000,000 people, and these men, whose will is absolute and undisputed, can by the wave of their hands send 18,000,000 men marching to battle.—John Cudahy, U.S. Ambassador to Belgium.

3 Hardy Annuals

The Legislature has just got through with three usually embarrassing votes with hardly any embarrassment at all.

Health insurance, the \$4,200 pension to F. A. Pauline and the Agent-General's position in London were good for hours of discussion in the old days—especially health insurance.

Members could debate health insurance long into the night. They would infuriate the government, tear the doctors apart; the opposition would scoff at the vote to maintain the commission. Health insurance was well rubbed into the government as recently as last year. The opposition always said health insurance put the Pattullo government into office in 1937, as "work and wages" did it '33. Neither had come true.

But this time Conservative leader Maitland was the only one to bite into the health insurance vote—and his bite wasn't very substantial. He asked Dr. Weir how many people were on the commission. Dr. Weir replied two, although he mentioned no names, and that the others had been cut off.

"I'd strike them all off, if I had my way," Mr. Maitland said. But that was all he did say. Health insurance seemed a dead issue and the House passed a \$13,000 vote to maintain the commission for another year.

The other hardy annual got

away to a good start, but it quickly wilted and died. Why it didn't bloom this year no one seemed to know. Last year it blossomed well. On that occasion Premier Pattullo helped Sam Guthrie, the fiery, Scottish-born C.C.F. member from Cowichan, nurture it to full flower.

Yesterday Mr. Guthrie said it was disgraceful Mr. Pauline was getting such a big pension when an old man he talked to on a bus received only \$13 monthly old age pension. He started to shout his denunciation when he was called to order. The chairman said the vote was a statutory one and could not be discussed. How it managed to be discussed last year was not explained. Liberals and Tories looked relieved when this disagreeable moment passed, for both, it seems, feel a little guilty about the Pauline pension. The Tories gave Mr. Pauline the pension and the Liberals won't take it away.

About the Agent-General—usually someone says the Premier is holding open the London position for himself or some good party follower. Last night nothing like this happened. Mr. Maitland just said W. A. McAdam should be named Agent-General. What he will do about this important position, the Premier didn't say. The vote passed quickly and the government seemed pleased it was over with for another year.

—JAMES K. NESBITT.

Debate Contract System of Logging

Hon. George S. Pearson, Minister of Labor, told the Legislature last night he did not believe the contract system of falling and bucking nor the so-called "speed-up" in work was the main cause of increase logging fatalities.

When Samuel Guthrie, C.C.F., Cowichan-Newcastle, asked to have the contract system of falling and bucking abolished, Mr. Pearson described an exhaustive system which has been set up to investigate all logging accidents in the hope of devising ways to reduce them.

Not only does the Workmen's

Compensation Board and the labor safety branch make careful inquiry into each fatality, but Mr. Pearson said he also had a confidential adviser studying the problem.

"We feel," he said, "that the main solution is to go right to the men who are in the woods and impress upon them the need of observing safety regulations. The accidents seem to come from hundreds of causes."

Mr. Guthrie said the contract system was reasonable for many because it forced fallers and buckers to work at high speed in order to get their money. At the end of a day they were too tired to escape danger.

Mr. Pearson told Colin Cameron, C.C.F., Comox, that comparatively few fatalities were due to faulty rigging, but admitted the compensation board did not have enough inspectors to test fully the rigging in all of the small operations.

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Bela Lanan COURT REPORTER

Decision in the Strange Case of "BAD DEBTS, INC."

(Continued from Page 14)

"PLAINTIFF" Herman Mencke won his case against the collecting agency, "Bad Debts, Inc.," and the Supreme Court of Wisconsin upheld the verdict of the lower court.

Not alone did he win what might be termed a moral victory in support of his reputation and integrity, but the court awarded him the sum of \$571.00 damages.

We give here a few pertinent excerpts from the record, in the words of the court.

"The envelope of the collecting agency contains a distinct libel in itself, which could have been read and probably was read by many persons not members of the firm's association. This book, with its list of delinquent debtors in the pillory or punishment threatened and to be endured if they do not pay."

Going further the court said: "The communications of this association are not only libelous, but they would seem to constitute the offense of threatening communications. The verdict (of the lower court) is not excessive. We can find no error in the record and the judgment of the circuit court is affirmed."

This is taken from a true case. Reference of citation may be had by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to "Bela Lanan—Court Reporter."

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THIS CURIOUS WORLD

NINE-TENTHS OF ALL THE LIVING CREATURES ON EARTH ARE INSECTS! NOBODY KNOWS HOW MANY SPECIES THERE ARE! AND SEE WHAT THEY'RE DOING TO US!

by WILLIAM KAPRENSON

ANTS IN THE PANTRY BREAK DOWN THE MORALE OF CAREFUL HOUSEWIVES.



MOSQUITO-CARRIED MALARIA GERMS WIDE OUT WHOLE SETTLEMENTS IN THE TROPICS! JUST ONE MOSQUITO CAN SPOIL A DISPOSITION AND A PICNIC.



FLIES CAUSE US TO BUY MILLIONS OF DOLLARS WORTH OF SCREEN YEARLY...AND STILL THEY POLLUTE OUR FOOD.



CLOTHES MOTHS IN OUR BEST WOOLENS ANNUALLY EAT HOLES, WHICH, IF MADE INTO ONE LARGE HOLE, WOULD BE MORE OR LESS THAN THE AREA OF LAKE ERIE.



BUT IN SPITE OF ALL THESE THINGS... WE'D STARVE TO DEATH IF THERE WERE NO INSECTS TO POLLENIZE OUR PLANTS.



TERMITES, ALTHOUGH MORE HONORABLE THAN FIFTH COLUMNISTS, BRING ABOUT DESTRUCTION BY SIMILAR UNDER COVER METHODS.

HOROSCOPE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

Benefic aspects rule today. At this time citizens of Canada should prepare for high service in the cause of liberty.

This is a day most favorable for women and for their church relations. The stars encourage organized work for the good of humanity.

Persons of all classes will begin to feel the pressure of heavy obligations in the way of taxes. There will be continued activity in trade and manufacturing. As the winter advances many calls on the public for generous aid for the needy are foretold. Troubled times beget noble sacrifices. The wise will express gratitude for prosperity by carefully budgeting incomes so that generous and regular contributions to relief may be assured.

Patriotism, now must be demonstrated in wholehearted support of Canada's war effort. The winter is to test the strength of democracy in a way that will require true heroism. The peril from enemies within will continue to be serious.

Pluto in Leo with other aspects has been read as indicating the struggle for political domination will be a long one, according to recent forecasts. There are portents of struggle lasting through next year and even longer.

Persons whose birthdate it is have the augury of a year of good luck. Business expansion for many is indicated. Women should gain financially.

Children born on this day probably will be thoughtful and serious. They will be mentally and physically strong. Success awaits them.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2

Stimulating and energizing aspects rule today. It is a date for pushing business affairs, very promising for all constructive work and most propitious for signing contracts.

Good feeling should rule under this configuration which encourages unselfish service and expression of family devotion. Good news may be expected through letters or legal papers. For girls there is the forecast of happiness through new friends of opposite sex who are met for the first time under this rule of the stars. Naval service men are indicated as most fortunate.

Economic crises are prognosticated as the result of efforts of dictators to control finance. New

Funny Old Men of Stage Still Tops as Broadway Buffoons



Al Jolson hangs out the S. R. O. sign.

THE FUNNY Old Men have taken over Broadway.

Top-flight comedians of yesterday, their wheelchairs parked in the wings, their white beards neatly combed, are hobbling right out onto the bright-lit stages of Manhattan's current smash-hit music shows to prove that they are the top-flight comedians of today!

"Standing Room Only" signs are being hung in the foyers of playhouses starring Al Jolson, Ed Wynn, Joe Cook, Victor Moore, Olsen and Johnson, William Gaxton, Bert Lahr, Harry Richman, Joe Lewis and Sophie Tucker.

CANTOR, JESSEL ON THE WAY

Soon banjo-eyed Eddie Cantor will join the nostalgic throng with a musical show that he and a cohort of collaborators are feverishly whipping together. And the much-married George Jessel, not inclined to be left out of the family reunion, has declared his intentions of coming back.

These amiable personalities do not resent being identified as old-timers. Most of them are in their early or late fifties and there is at least one sexagenarian in the lot.

It doesn't puzzle wise or grizzled showmen that these venerable comics should have chosen the present time to gravitate back toward Broadway. The truth is that



Ed Wynn works hard.



Bert Lahr Joe Lewis

in younger hands, the art of making people laugh is on the wane and youthful funny-men are growing scarcer.

Ben Marden, who conducts the fabulous Riviera, a glamorous cabaret across the Hudson, took a long chance when he invested \$7,000 a week in a venerable com-

bination consisting of Harry Richman, Sophie Tucker, and Joe E. Lewis. The investment has repaid him many times.

"LOUISIANA PURCHASE" PAYS OFF

Irving Berlin's beautiful music would have been to no avail, nor would Morrie Ryskind's witty libretto have made "Louisiana Purchase" into a musical success, if rotund, cherubic Victor Moore and William Gaxton, the glib fashion-plate, were not in there pitching laughs to each other and right out into the audience.

Jolson's show, "Hold on to Your Hats," in which he put 85,000 of his own dollars, by the way, is attracting Standing Room Only customers, every seat having been sold for weeks. Joe Cook is about to decorate Sonja Henie's Arctic spectacle in Rockefeller Centre, "It Happened on Ice."

Ed Wynn is working harder than any young actor on the Rialto nowadays; he hardly ever is off-stage in "Boys and Girls Together," a mad musical that won top tributes from the critical fraternity. Rubber-faced Bert Lahr stars in the held-over "Du Barry Was a Lady."

Meanwhile, producers are continuing their mournful, seemingly futile quest for Funny Young Men to step into the flapping shoes of the elder clowns.



Joe Cook skates with Sonja Henie.

Something New Under the Sun

IN THIS AGE of synthetic fabrics, it remains for the old timers to recall when our clothing was made chiefly of cotton and wool.

Clothing from trees, where Adam got his first suit of leaves with two pair of branches, may

channels of commerce will open and the western hemisphere will gain independence of the Axis powers. Warning is given that the effects of what is to be a long war will be felt.

Persons whose birthdate it is have the augury of a year of varied luck with the tides of success rising and falling. Changes should be avoided.

Children born on this day probably will be extremely clever. With mental vision and unusual talents they will have great possibilities in a made-over world.

soon be in fashion. Fibres resembling silk can be spun from the filaments of a new liquid wood, made of pulp with hydrogen added.

If costs prove in line with other fabrics, a wood clothing industry may be born. In winter emergencies, then, man can give the shirt off his back to keep the furnace fire going.



Clothing from trees.

Knitted bathing suits, made from a synthetic vinyl resin fibre, are appearing on the beaches. The material is elastic, equally strong wet or dry, and is proofed against water, acids or alkalis. Fish lines, nets and seines, shower curtains and waterproof clothing are also made of the fabric.

Shrinkproof Nylon is making its appearance as an improvement over the original fabric being used for women's hosiery. Future uses for the product will probably be found in parachutes, lace, upholstery, men's suit linings, and hose, knit goods, woven dress materials, rugs and carpets.

Neckties of glass or rubber provide something new in an old gift-for-men standby. Soft as silk, but strong as steel, the glass fibre neckties are stain-proof, burn-proof, fade-proof and wrinkle-proof, and come in 45 different color combinations.

This same fabric is being used for table linens, lampshades, tablecloths, bedspreads and a variety of household articles. For the outside of the house there are colorful glass fibre awnings, easily kept clean by turning the hose on them.

The new rubber sheeting, pili-film, is being tested for use as footwear material that would be easy to keep clean. Now found at ribbon counters in a variety of widths and colors, pili-film may soon be used to make belts, hats, shoes, handbags and household furnishings.

BEAN SHAVING CREAM

Bloodless shaving will be possible when a new preparation hits the market. A shaving soap manufacturer learned that a special extract of the soybean has the power to stop bleeding. He is adding this to his soap. Tests show it doesn't affect lathering qualities.

Women's razors are being introduced. To give the device added appeal, it is being marketed in a

dainty suede bag containing, in addition to the razor, its operating accessories and a new greaseless cream designed to retard hair growth. Women will still resort to their husbands' razors to cut linoleum.

Dry cells for users of electric shavers will enable them to go on camping or auto trips without growing beards. One of these 110-volt vest-pocket-size batteries will furnish enough current for a shave every day for two months.

Multiple use containers for tooth powder are on the market. The containers are shaped to resemble toy soldiers.

Lighted vanity case is just the thing for that last-minute check-up in the car or dark corridor. A tiny bulb lights automatically when the case is opened.

Portable barber shops for travelers have appeared. A dime in a slot gives the traveler 10 minutes' use of an electric razor. The slender stand has a large mirror lighted at both edges.

After the razor has been used it is placed in a receptacle in

which ultra-violet light sterilizes it for the next user. It will be placed in auto camps, railroad stations, hotel washrooms, etc.

Dental floss is strung on a new stubby fork, made of molded plastic, which has recently been placed on the market. It enables the user to reach innermost crevices which are awkward to get at with the fingers alone.

Rubber dental floss is a new development. The rubber strips are slightly roughened on the edges to give a firm grip on obstinate particles.

Lipstick stencils have made their appearance for use in the dark or when in a hurry. The new beauty aid, called the "lip bow," is shaped to fit around the mouth and keep the lipstick within bounds—at least until it gets on the boy friend.



Stories in Stamps



PHILATELY'S ART GALLERY REPRODUCES WORLD'S BEST

THE stamp collector who specializes in fine art will find a wide selection of the world's greatest masterpieces for his album. Stamps afford an art collection within the financial reach of anyone who devotes his efforts toward obtaining it.

Notable addition to the art gallery was the Belgian series of eight semipostals honoring Peter Paul Rubens, noted Flemish painter. Rubens' painting of himself and his first wife is pictured above.

France recently contributed Fragonard's "La Lettre," and Germany issued Durer's "Venetian Woman." Spain's Goya stamp is well known. Belgium's Memling was not forgotten.

Pan-American Union anniversary commemoratives added the Venezuela reproduction of Tito Salas' painting "The Foundation of the Great Columbia," and U.S. "Three Grades" from Botticelli's "Spring."



BOMBING PLANES FOLLOW GREEK AIR-MAIL ROUTE

ITALIAN airmen found a route to the heart of Greece mapped out for them in the 1933 Greek airmail stamp above, but the planes carried bombs, not mail. The stamp also provides philatelists with a map of the war in the east.

Although attack on Greece was strategically important in the Axis war against Britain, Fascists saw a chance to re-establish the empire of 168 B.C. when Roman civilization spread over the Greek peninsula.

War is not new for Athens. Greek battled Greek on the Attic plains. The Persians burned the city in 480 B.C. Alexander lifted Greece to its greatest glory in the Hellenistic age, but strife and internal weakness after his death opened the way for an easy Roman conquest.

Greece became part of the Byzantine Empire after the fall of Rome, and was conquered by the Turks in 1453. From the fourth century B.C. until 1821, when Greece revolted against the Turks, the Greeks were at no time a free people.

British friendship dates from that revolution in which Lord Byron lost his life. England, France and Russia intervened, forced the Turks to grant Greece independence. During the World War, Greece supported the Allied cause.

LAST ISSUES OFFER WIDE PHILATELIC FIELD

COLLECTING "last issues of nations disappearing from the map of the world is becoming an important phase of philately. Above is the last issue of Austria, picturing roses and signs of the zodiac. The stamp was issued for Christmas greetings in 1937, three months before Hitler marched into the country.

Czechoslovakia's last stamp was the symbol of peace, issued to mark 20 years of independence. Poland ended its stamps with the Polish Legion issue, picturing Marshal Pilsudski reviewing troops.

Danzig, Latvia, Lithuania, Estonia have joined the list. Fate of the Lowlands countries in western Europe is as yet undecided. It is possible that other nations may disappear. Changes in Africa and Asia are probable.



IMPORTANT stamps in the news are those of Greece, Turkey, Yugoslavia and Rumania, commemorating the Balkan Entente. Greek Yugoslav issues are pictured here.

Each of the four nations issued stamps showing the coat-of-arms of each country. Designs are similar.

Directed particularly against Balkan aggressors, the Entente does not commit either Turkey or Yugoslavia to aid Greece except against a Balkan army. Rumania, of course, as a Nazi puppet, is out of the Entente.



STAMP NEWS

WAR will not interrupt Switzerland's annual Youth series of stamps. The 1940 semipostals will picture Gottfried Keller, 19th century poet and novelist and typical women of the cantons of Thurgau, Solothurn and Zug. The stamps will be placed on sale in December.

Portugal gives philately an air-view of the 1940 world Exposition in a new single value. The stamp is the fifth of the Exposition group.

RED RYDER

By Fred Herman



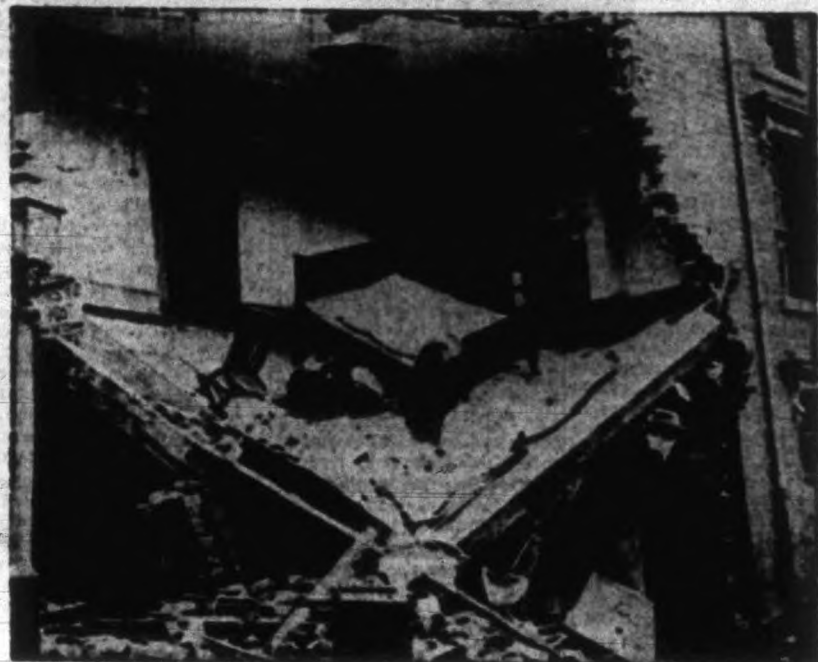
Bomb-Shattered Midlands Digs Itself Out of Ruins



With Coventry the start, Nazi raiders poured millions of pounds of high explosives the length and breadth of England's industrial Midlands, spreading death and destruction over wide areas. Birmingham was one of the cities hardest hit. This row of blasted shops on the main street of a Midlands town testifies to fury of German aerial bombardment.



Huge casualties, enormous damage resulted from this latest outburst of Nazi aerial fury on Midlands towns. Here workers search amid ruins of dwellings for victims.



The wall is ripped away and the floor tilts at a crazy angle, but the bed is still in place in this Midlands home after the passing of a Nazi bomber.



THESE NAZIS DIDN'T MISS THE BUS—German soldiers are getting used to bus travel. In buses commandeered by the German army, thousands of them have been taken on "strength-through-joy" tours of Paris and other Nazi-occupied areas of Europe. But in London German aviators get another kind of bus ride, shown above, en route to a concentration camp after their capture by the British.



"VERBODEN" ROAD—This sign at a sentry post in Dover strikes a humorous note. The notice written on the sign in German, reads, "Military warning. Danger to life, no through way," signed, "Heinrich von Pigow, Oberleutenant." The sign was probably posted as a warning to possible Nazi invaders.



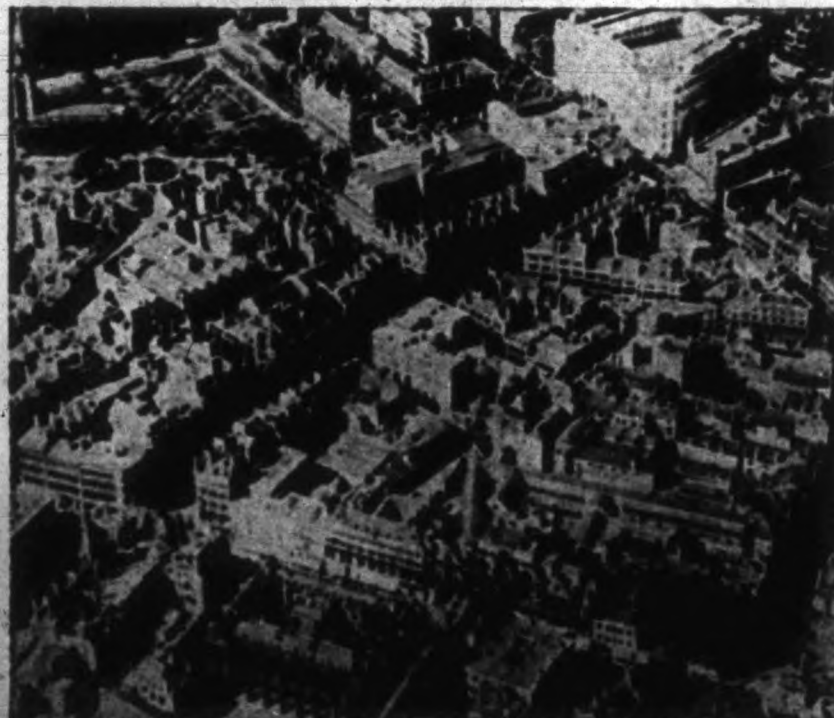
HELPING HANDS—Answering motoring organizations' appeals to the public to assist, all branches cheerfully oblige. Here a bus, crowded to capacity, is "relieved" of overflow by obliging passing truck.



EMPIRE RALLIES—King George inspects troops of the Royal Indian Army Service Corps, recently arrived in England for training. The troops are easily identified by their colorful turbans, white Sam Browne belts.



KISSED BY QUEEN—The King presented Pte. Foster Brown of Dartmouth, N.S., with two medals in one day, the Military Medal for capturing two Nazi aviators in France and the Dunkirk medal. Wounded by a bomb splinter in London, it was while he was in hospital that the King pinned the medals on his breast, and the Queen kissed his forehead.



BEFORE NAZIS STRUCK—Aerial view of central Birmingham, great industrial city in heart of Midlands, which was hammered by savage German air bombings.



EDEN NOT IDLE—Anthony Eden, Britain's secretary of war, was "just one of the boys," except that he wore civilian hat, when he visited desert troops on a recent tour of Palestine.

Girls Behind Guns



Girls of Britain's Auxiliary Territorial Service are right on the job with the men behind the guns, playing a vital part in training anti-aircraft artillermen. Here A.T.S. girls, left, operate a sensitive instrument which records data on the fire of the gun crew seen at right.



Among British women's war organizations whose heroism has been outstanding is the Women's Auxiliary Air Force, one of whose members, Corporal Elspeth Henderson, above, recently won the Military Medal for Gallantry.

While the worst raids of the war shatter England, its heroic women ambulance drivers carry on unhesitatingly under the Nazi terror. A squad here renders first aid to an injured woman dug out of the ruins of a blasted building. They also evacuate patients from threatened hospitals, drive doctors to trouble spots.

Good Books More Binding Than Treaties Merriman Talks BOOKS

By NELLIE L. McCLUNG
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WITH Christmas coming around the corner, and the need of a Christmas spirit more imperative than ever in a world that seems in danger of forgetting what life was given to us for, I hope we can do something definite this year in the matter of Christmas giving.

Women are knitting and sewing for the people who need all the warmth, protection and comfort they can get. So let us count out bedroom slippers, pin-cushions, nightgowns, shopping bags and all that category of regular presents for the folks at home. Most of us have these, with extra ones still in their wrappings, in the lower bureau drawer.

This year the need of our people is different. Our bodies are clothed, our dressing tables have a full supply of gadgets, but there is a clear and definite need for the things of the spirit.

I am always flattered when people give me books. Ten years ago I received a copy of Moffatt's translation of the Bible, with its modern arrangement, and the poetical parts written as poetry should be written, and each time I read it I am grateful to the giver.

INFINITELY PRECIOUS

There is something infinitely precious about books. They equalize life. They raise the standard of living like nothing else. We cannot all live in fine houses, with broadloom carpets, and pictures by the old masters, but we can all possess minted words of wisdom, mined from the greatest souls on earth. There is something pathetic in the falling market for books today, when rare old volumes sell at the price of Penguin editions, but let us think of this in reverse, and rejoice that more beautiful books are coming into the hands of real book lovers.

I have on my desk a hand-bound book printed on vellum, and I read on the fly leaf that 45 years ago it was given to Beatrice May Howell, as a prize at Southfield, Dorchester. It is a book of narrative poems, dealing with Italian life.

In one of the poems is a description of Rome, which has a tragic significance to us now, when we think of how that noble city has been debased.

"A great, strange city, lovelier in its ruins
Than all the golden greenness of the hills.

A city of all colors, and all shapes
And gleams of falling water, day and night
Resonant with bells, and voices musical.

I never once could feel alone in Rome;
The sense of someone greater than myself

Was with me in all places, making life
Solemn at all times."

Many of the poems in this book tell of the Italians' fight for freedom, bringing back to us, in these days of frantic boastings, and treacherous "stabs in the back," the fact that the Italians have been a gentle people, who read poetry and fairy tales and love music and who have, until recent years, occupied an honored place in the Family of Nations.

NEW BOTTOMS NOVEL

I have just read a modern book, "The Heart of a Child," by Phyllis Bottoms, which is the story of a little German boy and his dog, who lived and suffered in the hard days of starvation following the last war. The peasants of Feldmuss, a little village in the high mountains, believed that the English were savage and cruel and were the cause of all their miseries, but at the end of the war the Society of Friends mysteriously appeared with their hands full of gifts, and the word went out through the village that a Christmas party would be given to all the children.

Karl, the hero of the story, who had stolen money from the church to give the life of his dog, Rolf, was torn with fear and suspicion. He was afraid to take his young brothers and sisters to the English women's party. He knew the English had great guns of destruction, and was afraid that this party was nothing but a blind. However, the kind faces of the English women, and the prospect of something to eat overcame his fears, and Karl and his nine brothers and sisters went to the party, and what a party that was! The high point of the proceed-

ings came when a Christmas tree blazed at them out of the dark, and at the foot there lay the Holy Child, in His manger cradle, with Mary in her blue cloak beside Him, and Joseph standing guard. Warmed and fed in body and mind, the little boy went to the church before going home and made his peace with God, restoring the money to the poor box, and offered a prayer:

"Please God forgive the English, if they need it, and thank you for sending them, and a Merry Christmas to you and me and Rolf."

BEST AMBASSADORS

It's a good thing for us to read books, written from the other side of the wall. Books are the best ambassadors. They bind us to our fellowman more securely than treaties. The burning of the books in Germany was a crime against all humanity, a symbolic act, which shows that the mind and soul of their people has been cut off from human relationships with the other people of the world for the purpose of starving

them into spiritual servility and mental death.

We wouldn't burn books here in Canada. We are too civilized for that. But let us take care that we do not ignore them. The results are not dissimilar. We relate with pride that the Bible is the best-selling book in the world, but a Bible on a shelf is just a piece of merchandise, as sterile as a china egg.

Last year when we read of the Finnish people dropping New Testaments on their enemies, it came as a challenge to many of us. What are we doing to spread the Gospel even among our friends?

The Bible is a great but neglected weapon in the fight for righteousness. It is the charter of our liberties. No one can read the life of Christ as told in the four gospels and not be changed by it. The Gideons have put a Bible in every hotel bedroom in Canada and we would have one in every home in Canada if we had a vision of its power!

Christmas, 1946, is a good time to begin.

MUSIC ON RECORDS

AN IMPORTANT piano album which yet will be of interest because of its composer to all music lovers is the beautiful Cesar Franck "Prelude, Choral and Fugue," played on two Columbia records by that excellent Dutch pianist, Egon Petri (CM-X173).

Written at the height of his powers just two years before the great symphony, this work ranks as one of the two major pieces which Franck wrote for piano. As usual, it is richly chromatic and thematically allied to parts of the symphony, and it exhibits with equal power the peculiar blend of poetry, elevation and saintliness which is Franck's hallmark of matured style.

Prelude and chorale take one side apiece, with two sides devoted to the fugue. In the prelude long arpeggios ripple over the solemn melody. The influence of Bach's Chromatic Fantasy has been detected here in form: the style and harmony are pure Franck.

The chorale is even more meditative. The high point of the work comes at the end of the fugue when in a mighty episode parts of the prelude and chorale are heard united with the theme of the fugue in fugue treatment.

The work is one of considerable difficulty but Petri is equal to all its technical demands. Perhaps he does not extract all the poetry that is present in the music, but his clean playing and lack of distortion in the phrasing are of more importance. The recording is excellent. This is a beautiful work which should be heard.

JUST PLEASANT MUSIC

ANOTHER piano album is the three-record Victor set of Weber's Sonata No. 2 in A flat Major (Opus 39) played by Alfred Cortot (VM-703). Judged fundamentally for its musical value, this sonata is unimportant, since there is little depth of emotion or thought. Instead Weber has tried to write a work to show off the talents of the performer by exhibitions of brilliant technique, with sentiment taking the place of any more powerful feeling.

The influence of Beethoven, Weber's contemporary, is quite lacking, and there is no close grasp of design. On the other hand, its romantic and sentimental fervor was much admired by 19th Century pianists, and there still remains a certain warmth of appeal as music pleasant to the ear and making few demands on the listener other than to his pleasure and admiration.

The first movement is the most brilliant and admirable; the second, to my ears, is rather thin stuff, in spite of Liszt's statement that one could "move stones with it." The minuet, an engaging trifle, and the rondo suitably jolly. Cortot's poetic performance is a masterpiece of delicate adjustments, emphases and singing tone. Collectors of piano music might thus be interested if for no more than this superb performance. Recording is good.

TRAUBEL MAGNIFICENT

EILEEN TRAUBEL, who made her Victor debut auspiciously several weeks ago, returns on two 12-inch disks. On one she sings Strauss's "Ruhe, Mein Soel" and Schubert's "Wienlied," with Conrad V. Box as the pianist. On the other side she does "Elsa's

Dream," from Lohengrin and Schubert's "Aufenthalt," with Bruno Reibold conducting the Victor Symphony Orchestra. Mr. Reibold has made an orchestral arrangement of "Aufenthalt" which leaves something to be desired. Miss Traubel's singing, however, is magnificent on all four sides. Since Victor is issuing full albums for its prima donnas, it could well do so for Miss Traubel.

The Stuyvesant String Quartette makes a first recording of Scarlatti's "Sonata a Quattro" (Columbia, 10-inch). The work is short but contains memorable music, especially a brief but noble slow movement. The score is issued with the co-operation of the Music Press, Inc. The playing is good.

IN THE POPULAR FIELD

FATS WALLER and his rhythm are always good for a laugh and the latest disk, with "My Mommie Sent Me to the Store" and "Dry Bones," is good for several, especially the latter (Bluebird). Tommy Dorsey and his orchestra do smooth, sweet treatments of "Two Dreams Met" and "When You Awake" (Victor). For dancing, not listening.

Mary Martin retains her charm in "Ain't It a Shame About Mame," with a torchy and maudlin "I Don't Want To Cry Any More" on the other side, Erskine Butterfield offers a boogie-woogie treatment of "St. Louis Blues" that doesn't come off. (Both Decca).

If you are looking for the old-fashioned line of patter, there is Henry Youngman doing two sides of "Gags and Supergags" (Victor). Mr. Youngman is glib and bland, and his lines are so aromatic with age that they are funny again.

SWING CLASSIC

BUNNY BERIGAN (Victor) "Ay-Ay-Ay" and "Ain't She Sweet." Victor made a mistake on this one—in not classifying it as a swing classic. Regardless of color, few musicians today can match the hotness of the Berigan horn, and though this isn't the best record Berigan ever made, few others have shown the solidness revealed here. His supporting band does a great job—so well done, we might suspect many of the men are from the T. Dorsey crew. Tenor sax and piano solos lend pleasant variety.

Charlie Barnet (Bluebird) "Night and Day" and "Wild Mab of the Fish Pond." Here's a platter with the usual sax appeal that marks Barnet. On the first side, the maestro imparts a slight lift to one of Cole Porter's best-known tunes.

Opening with some fine piano, giving away to smooth co-ordinated brass and reeds, the Barnet arrangement ends with a surprise—the last two bars finds the whole band swinging away to the tune of "Yankee Doodle!" The flipover, despite its title, is a smooth piece, perhaps best described as modern descriptive music and reveals many tricks of the versatile maestro's own sax.

WELCOME HOME!

A choir was being organized among soldiers in an army barracks. They were put under the instructions of a sergeant and in rehearsing them for one of their songs he announced: "The tenors will sing alone until they come to the gates of hell. Then you will all come in."

IT WAS A COINCIDENCE that the same week I wrote about my own experiences with a one-string fiddle that I should receive in a battered old paper parcel from across the Atlantic a photograph of a real fiddle and a letter from a real fiddler.

By a real fiddler I don't mean a violinist who makes appearances on a concert platform for a fat fee, but a likeable, shabby old former Barnardo boy who was burned out on a lonely prairie homestead 10 or 12 years ago, and who since has become as near to a wandering minstrel as it is possible to be in these days.

At the present time he is playing his fiddle in an air raid shelter in London to a chummy little party seeking sanctuary underground from Nazi bombs.

Some people may remember him when he was in Victoria six or seven years ago. He called at this office, among others, dressed in old clothes that he admitted had been picked up here and there, an old fur hat which he greatly prized. He wore a flowing beard and carried a fiddle, a flute, a mouth organ and two or three tin whistles. In spite of his flowing beard he was a sprightly chap with twinkling eyes and a ceaseless flow of conversation.

"I'm William Carter the Wandering Minstrel," he informed us, and rambled on about the fire that had made him homeless and how he had wandered from end to end of Canada ever since; how he had been received with open arms at isolated farmhouses and entertained them with his music; how they invited him to stay over for a day or two while neighbors rallied to hear his music and dance to it; how he had dropped in on hobo jungles, where his music stirred roaming, homeless men to sing and applaud long-forgotten songs, and how with his fiddle, his mouth organ, flute and tin whistles there were very few days when he had not the price of the next meal in his pockets.

There were, however, occasions when the farmhouses were far apart or the weather halted his travels and he had to go hungry.

When he arrived at Victoria he had 35 cents. After he had told his story he brought out his fiddle from its battered case and struck up a tune, "The Irish Washerwoman."

"That's the one I usually open with," he said. "Everybody knows that tune. Everybody likes it. It sets them all jiggling, but after that they like something serious."

Then he played his serious numbers, "I Wandered Today by the Hill, Maggie," "The Farmer's Boy," "The Midshipmite," songs reminiscent of the old melodrama days. Then he played a few tunes on his tin whistle. It was after the deadline so the reporters let him ramble along. Of course he wound up with a collection.

It must have been a good one, for his eyes twinkled when he counted the results in his battered old hat.

"I'm going back to England as soon as I can raise enough money," said the old chap whose total assets were 35 cents before the collection. "I want to see Yorkshire again before I die." It sounded a hopeless ambition for an itinerant fiddle player living by collections, but he realized it.

For the last year letters have been arriving from him at intervals. The first was from his home town, where he still had friends who remembered him. The home town reporters looked over his clippings and hailed him as the wandering minstrel of Canada back home after great adventures. Bill is no slouch at securing publicity for himself. He got a few radio engagements and then started roaming again.

Now, judging from his last letter, he belongs to the interesting army of buskers who Londoners know well and who were recently brought to the attention of the rest of the world through articles in the picture magazines and a Charles Laughton picture.

They are entertainers who have either slipped or have never been quite able to make the vaudeville stage.

As the crowds line up for the long wait before the theatres open the buskers put on their little shows on the sidewalk. Singers, dancers, jugglers, conjurers, musicians, elocutionists and acrobats, they do their acts on the street and trust to the generosity of the theatre crowds for the coppers on which they live.

Some, with confidence in their ability, nourish a secret hope that they may be seen by some theatre manager with the power to move them from the hard work of street acting to the glamorous atmosphere of the stage and footlights inside.

In previous letters the wandering minstrel told how he has joined this army of entertainers. Now this business is going through a depression as Nazi bombers discourage crowds.

"But we still keep going, although we don't collect so much, and often we don't try to collect at all."

"We play in the air raid shelters."

"Sometimes there are five or six of us and we give a regular show. Two weeks ago I was the only busker in the shelter I went to. I played for nearly two hours. The people kept asking for more music. They liked it and the mothers told me it kept the children from worrying."

"The same people go to this shelter every raid and they have asked me to go all the time. They have fixed up a bed for me there which they call the Canadian minstrel's bed and nobody else is allowed to use it."

"I don't make a collection. The people who come to this shelter haven't much money but the women always see that there is something for supper for me and something left over for breakfast."

The wandering minstrel also enclosed a photograph of a new fiddle he has acquired. He bought it in a back street in Hull for 10s 6d but believes he has a valuable fiddle

Treasury of Letters

By DOROTHY THOMPSON
CONCLUSION

In all ages, one sees, the poet, the writer, has suffered more than any other class of distinguished men. Despots always knife them first, fearing them more than any other enemies.

In "A Treasury of the World's Great Letters" (Simon and Schuster) is Dostoevsky's extraordinary letter to his brother Mihal, written from the Peter and Paul Fortress in 1849, on the very day when, after having been sentenced to four years' hard labor. The letter is the letter of a man with an unquenchable will to live, and yet with every expectation that he will not survive. He did survive to write the greatest novels ever written by any man, and to transmute into them the experiences of the four years. He writes:

"Brother! I have not become downhearted or low-spirited. Life is everywhere life, life in ourselves, not in what is outside of us. There will be people near me, and to be a man among people and remain a man forever, not to be downhearted nor to fall in whatever misfortunes may be before me, that is life; that is the task of life...."

"Yes, it's true! The head which was creating, living with the highest life of art, which had realized and grown used to the highest needs of the spirit, that head has already been cut off from my shoulders. There remains a memory of the images created but not yet incarnated by me. They will lacerate me, it is true! But there remains in me my heart and the same flesh and blood which can also love, and suffer, and desire, and remember, and this after all is life."

And this man for whom writing was his very existence contemplates four years in which he may not take a pen in his hand, and contemplates them with anguish. "How many imaginations lived through by me, created by me anew, will perish, will be extinguished in my brains or will be split as poison in my blood!"

He flagellates himself for wasted time, for sins "against my heart and spirit." And at the same time he lays plans for four years ahead when he will be free. "Brother, I swear to you that I shall not lose hope. I shall be reborn to a better thing. That is my whole hope, my whole comfort."

INDICTMENT OF NAZIS

From that letter to Thomas Mann's "God help our darkened and desecrated country"—the by-now famous letter which he wrote to the dean of the philosophical faculty of the University of Bonn on being advised that his name had been stricken from the rolls of the faculty, there is no great leap, although nearly 100 years have intervened. It remains the most measured, lofty and devastating indictment of the Nazi regime which has yet come from any pen:

"To what a pass in less than four years have they brought Germany? Ruined, sucked dry, body and soul, by armaments with which they threaten the whole world; holding up the whole world and hindering it in its real task of peace; loved by nobody, regarded with fear and cold aversion by all, it stands on the brink of disaster while its 'enemies' stretch out their hands in alarm to snatch back from the abyss so important a member of the future family of nations, to help it, if only it would come to its senses and try to understand the real needs of the world at this moment, instead of dreaming dreams about mythical 'sacred necessities'."

Beethoven never ceased to believe in the fall of Napoleon I—a man he once had idolized—nor Victor Hugo in the collapse of Napoleon III of France, nor had Thomas Mann in Princeton ever for a moment accepted a world-conquering Third Reich, as the final or characteristic face of Germany. The truth of the prophecies of his predecessors should give him comfort.

THOREAU TO GANDHI

Curious, too, how the gifted mind, dying in one era and in one land, lives again in another era and on another soil. Henry spent most of his life in the streets of a New England village, again 100 years ago. There is an exquisite letter in this collection from Thoreau to Emerson, a letter in praise of confidence between human beings. "We are undermined by faith and love.... The spirit abhors a vacuum more than nature. There is a tide which pierces the pores of the air.... These aerial rivers, let us not pollute their currents."

It is interesting to read in a footnote to this letter by a too-forgotten American that his essay on "Civil Disobedience," written after he had spent a night in jail for non-payment of taxes, is said to have inspired the doctrine which, in our own country, has flouted a great Empire: Mahatma Gandhi's revolution of non-resistance. And the Gandhi philosophy may yet prove to be the basis of the revolution in Europe—the revolution of the oppressed, deprived of all other weapons.

more than 200 years old. He put it down in the air raid shelter recently to change his music for his tin whistle. A man stepped on it and broke it. The man apologized when he learned what he had done. "I'm sorry," he said, "but I am stone blind."

"The people of the air raid shelter made a collection in the neighborhood," the minstrel writes. "They collected 20s to have the fiddle repaired and now it's as good as ever. It has a sweet, mellow tone, rich and pure and lots of volume. They all love its music in the air raid shelter."

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Comet Visible to Naked Eye Next Month for First Time in Three Decades

By JAMES STOKELY

IF YOU ARE 30 years old or less, you will be able this month to see something in the sky that you never saw before.

This "something" is a bright naked-eye comet, Cunningham's comet, to be specific, discovered more than two months ago by Harvard astronomer Leland E. Cunningham, after whom it is named. Ever since then it has been approaching closer both to sun and the earth. Right now it is becoming visible to the naked eye. By Christmas, astronomers expect, it will be conspicuous in the western sky after sundown.

A dozen or more bright comets appeared during the 19th century, but the 20th thus far has been considerably behind its quota. In 1910 there were two. One was the famous Halley's, on one of its regular 75-year visits. The other is recorded as 1910a, since it was the first to be discovered that year.

It came so quickly that a number of persons in the southern hemisphere, discovered it at about the same time, and no one name is attached to it. As it moved into the northern sky in the last half of January it was a conspicuous object in the sky for a few days. Then it passed on out into space again, never to return, as far as we can tell.

150 COMETS SINCE 1910

Since then, about 150 times as many comets have been watched as it swept around the sun. A third of these were returns of periodic visitors, and the rest were unheralded. Many of these are periodic, too, but their cycles are so long, counted into thousands of years, that no one had known how to calculate their motions when they were last here.

Not more than half a dozen in recent years reached the brightness needed for visibility without a telescope. One of these was discovered by an amateur, Leslie C. Peletier, in 1936. The following year a Swiss, Dr. F. Finster, of Zurich, found one. And in 1939 came a third, discovered independently by observers in Norway, Canada, Russia and elsewhere. But none of these were conspicuous. Each could be seen as a hazy blob of light, if the sky was clear and dark, and you knew where to look. People who remembered Halley's in 1910 felt justifiably disappointed.

Even Cunningham's comet may not rival Halley's, but at least it will do better than any since. Early in its visit a tail began to appear, and this has been enlarging. In a few more weeks you will see it pointing away from the sun, as a comet's tail always does.



SYMBOLS FOR STARS IN ORDER OF BRIGHTNESS

These maps show the sky's appearance at 7 p.m. on December 1, 6 p.m. on the 15th and 5 p.m. on the 31st. The comet is indicated in its place for the beginning of the month. Its motion is in the direction of the short arrow nearby. All during December it will continue to brighten, which will make it easier to find. However, it is approaching closer to the sun, and that means it will set each day a little sooner after sunset. In addition to the comet, the planets Jupiter and Saturn are seen this month, still close together in the constellation of Aries, high in the south. Jupiter, the more brilliant of the pair, is easily recognized. On Tuesday, December 10, the moon, four days before it is full, will pass near Jupiter, to the south. Later that night it will pass even closer to Saturn. In the southern part of the United States, south of latitude 36 degrees, there will be an occultation of Saturn, that is, the moon will actually pass in front of the planet. Most brilliant of the stars seen on December evenings is Sirius, the dog star, in Canis Major, the big dog. Above it is the group of constellations that make the skies of winter so glorious. These are Orion, the warrior, with Betelgeuse and Rigel; Taurus, the bull, with Aldebaran; Canis Minor, the lesser dog, with Procyon and Capella, in Auriga, the charioteer. To the northwest are seen two other stars of the first magnitude. These are Deneb, in Cygnus, the swan, and, near the horizon, Vega, in Lyra, the lyre.

In the northwestern sky, in the early evening, shines a bright star, Vega, in Lyra, the lyre. Almost directly west is Altair, in Aquila, the eagle. This star has a fainter one to the right, and another to the left. These will help you to find it. Between the lyre and the eagle, a little higher, is a group shaped like a cross. Often called the northern cross, it is really part of Cygnus, the swan. A bright star, Deneb, marks the top of the cross, a fainter one, Albireo, the foot.

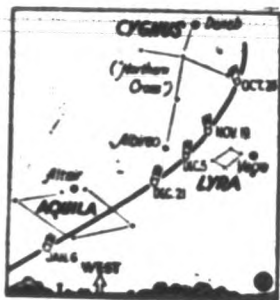
Around the beginning of next week, as the comet begins to be visible easily, it will pass close to Albireo; at Christmas time it will be in Aquila, underneath Altair. By early January it will be entering the figure of Capricornus, the sea goat, but then it will be close to the sun.

Despite the fact that it will then be reaching greatest brilliancy, it will be lost to view. By the beginning of February it will be drawing well away from the sun again, but will be so far south that we will not see it. People in the southern hemisphere then will find it to the east before sunrise.

DISCOVERY DELAYED

Because of a meeting of astronomers in September, Mr. Cunningham's discovery was delayed, and he was lucky that no one else anticipated him. He actually photographed it on September 5, from the Harvard Observatory with a camera having a lens eight inches in diameter, though he did not notice the comet on the plate until September 15.

At that time it was some 220,000,000 miles from the sun and 170,000,000 miles from the earth. Then it was just a hazy spot of

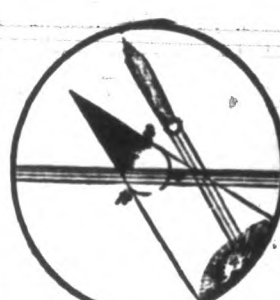


Four centuries ago Peter Apian used this diagram in a book called "Caesar's Astronomy," to explain the way that a comet's tail always points away from the sun.

light visible only with large telescopes, or on photographs taken with special star cameras.

As a comet approaches the sun, it increases in activity, a tail may develop, and its brightness rises. That has happened with this one. Its December first position is only 116,500,000 miles from the sun and 115,000,000 miles from the earth. By Christmas Day it will have moved to a distance of 63,500,000 miles from the sun, and 73,500,000 miles from us. Not earlier, probably, than December 5 will it be visible without a telescope, though for a week or more before, one might be able to see it with a pair of field glasses. By Christmas it will undoubtedly be seen without difficulty.

After Cunningham's discovery on his photograph of September 15, he looked over other photos, taken in the various patrol cameras that operated nightly from the Harvard Observatory. It appeared on one made August 25 and another September 9.



Path of Cunningham's Comet in the western sky next month. This shows the arrangement of the constellations around 7 p.m. on December 1 and about an hour earlier on December 15.

This, again, was fortunate, because, in order to calculate the way a comet is moving, three separate observations of its position are needed. Here immediately he had the material for a preliminary computation, which indicated that the comet would become quite bright. When, in October, he had a longer span of observations, he recalculated the orbit, and this came out very close to the first one.

This showed that it will be closest to the earth on January 10, about 54,000,000 miles away. It will be at perihelion, nearest the sun, January 16, at a distance of 33,000,000 miles. The earth and the sun are about 92,000,000 miles apart. When discovered, the comet was nearly twice as far as the sun; no wonder it was exceedingly faint.

VERY UNSUBSTANTIAL

Despite the terror that comets have often aroused, they are



Cunningham's Comet, photographed earlier in its visit from the Harvard Observatory, where it was found. During December it will be seen easily with the naked eye.

really very unsubstantial things. Sometimes one passes right in front of a star, but there is no eclipse. Instead, the star light shines through with undiminished brightness.

A comet has been compared with a shovelful of gravel, tossed through the air. It consists of a lot of separate particles, some, perhaps, as large as big boulders, but the distances between these pieces are large compared to their diameters. Dr. Henry Norris Russell, of Princeton, has estimated that the brightness of Halley's comet could be explained if in every cubic mile of its volume there were a dozen bodies as big as small marbles, and nothing else!

Comets have passed close to the moons of Jupiter, and have had their paths radically changed, yet

Morehouse's Comet, shown in a Yerkes Observatory photograph, came in 1908. Not conspicuous to the naked eye, astronomers were interested in curious changes that took place in its tail as they watched through telescopes.

not the slightest effect could be detected on the moons. Compared to them, therefore, the comet's mass is insignificant.

Still, this allows for a lot of stuff. If you could bring Cunningham's comet to earth, it might weigh as much as 100,000,000 tons. Piled in one place, it might be roughly equal to the amount of rock and soil excavated in digging the Panama Canal. A comet is nothing to be afraid of, unless one should hit the earth. Small comets have doubtless hit the earth in the past, but the chance of one doing so is extremely remote.

SUNLIGHT PUSHES TAIL

As the comet comes in toward the sun some yet unknown force, perhaps resulting from an excitation by the sun's rays, drives finely divided dust, and gases, out of the head. Then another force operates. This is the actual pressure of the sun's light.

So small is this pressure that we cannot feel it. At earth's distance, the pressure of sunlight over a square yard is only a hundred thousandth of an ounce. But out in space this is enough to push on the dust and gas like wind.

That is why the comet's tail always points in the direction away from the sun. As it approaches the sun, the tail is behind. Leaving the sun, the tail is ahead; it backs away, like a commoner from an audience with royalty. Far out in space again, the force that ejects the tail material is removed, and the tail disappears.

Comets have been analyzed with the spectroscope, and in them have been found the same things as in the sun and earth. Some of the materials, like carbon monoxide and cyanogen, we classify as poisonous gases, but so exceedingly diffuse are they that there is no danger. Indeed, in 1910, we went through the tail of Halley's comet, and no effect

whatever was noticed, though astronomers carefully watched.

It seems likely that comets are actually members of the solar system, like the planets, and are not, as some have suggested, bodies that have entered the system from outside. Probably they were formed in the same way, whatever it was, as the planets themselves.

Thus, with a comet giving off some of its material each time it rounds the sun, it seems as if they cannot go on forever. Millions and millions of years ago the sky may have been much more peopled with them than now; millions of years in the future they may be gone. But that time has not yet come, and we can enjoy Cunningham's comet with the feeling that it may be the herald of even finer comets that are on the way—comets to rival the greatest seen in the 19th century.

Celestial Time Table December, 1940

Dec.	P.S.T.	
2	4.00 a.m.	Venus passes Mars (both morning stars).
5	9.19 a.m.	Algol at minimum.
6	8.01 a.m.	Moon at first quarter.
7	6.08 p.m.	Algol at minimum.
9	12.00 a.m.	Moon farthest; 251,700 miles away.
10	2.57 p.m.	Algol at minimum.
	4.53 p.m.	Moon passes Jupiter.
11	9.56 a.m.	Moon passes Saturn.
14	11.38 a.m.	Full moon.
21	3.55 p.m.	Sun farthest south, winter commences.
	5.45 p.m.	Moon in last quarter.
24	10.00 p.m.	Moon nearest; 228,400 miles away.
24	11.03 p.m.	Algol at minimum.
25	9.59 p.m.	Moon passes Mars.
26	10.04 a.m.	Moon passes Venus.
27	7.52 p.m.	Algol at minimum.
28	12.56 p.m.	New moon.
30	4.42 p.m.	Algol at minimum.
31	6.00 a.m.	Jupiter changes from westward to eastward motion.

Streamlined Dog Hospitals Leave Rover Nothing to Growl About



This X-ray business looks harmless enough, but I'm not so sure!

By MARGARET TURNER
IT IS NO LONGER correct to talk of a "dog's life" if you want to imply a life of loneliness, hardship, neglect and abuse. Life has changed for the dog, as dogs, pet dogs and the raising of dogs enters the field of "big business."

This point was strikingly emphasized at a bridge club the other day. One member arrived late. "I went to the hospital to see Sally," she explained. "The doctor thinks she will have to have a Caesarean."

"The doctor says they don't allow visitors in the maternity ward, but the nurse says she had a good night and is doing as well as can be expected."

Sally was not a member of the bridge club. Sally was a dog and the hospital one of the new streamlined small animal hospitals which have sprung up throughout the continent for those whose dogs are not just pets but members of the family, or perhaps valued pedigreed dogs which represented a heavy investment for dog breeders.

These new streamlined dog hospitals have not only maternity wards with all facilities for performing Caesarean operations when necessary, but isolation wards, sun decks, X-ray apparatus and everything that an up-to-



Easy there! That's my ear you're pushing light bulbs into!

date, fully equipped hospital for human beings would have.

The cherished pet is assured of the same careful, scientific treatment that would be demanded for the most important members of the household.

The institutions are much the same everywhere. Modern in architecture, and in all its details, corner windows and Venetian blinds, smart black small-case lettering over the door, chromium furniture and chaste white mantel, professional-looking reception rooms, they house equipment for every type of treatment. There is usually a sundeck. Isolation wards have their own bathing rooms, kitchen and entire equipment, so that there is no contact whatever with the other dog patients. Dogs with distemper, dysentery, and gastroenteritis are

in separate kennels in the respective wards.

X-RAY AND FLUOROSCOPE

In addition to the wards, the reception room and the doctor's private office, there is a treatment room, an examination room, X-ray room, with a combination X-ray and fluoroscope, where provision is also made for special X-ray treatment, and a fully equipped modern surgery, with excellent lighting, both artificial and by means of skylights. Then there is the kitchen, where the food is prepared, and special diets for those cases which require them; the washroom, with its cement floor and enamel benches; and the sterilizing room, for linen used in surgery and bandages.

The procedure in the surgery follows identically the technique



While young female cocker spaniel "plays dead" under anaesthetic persuasion in fully-equipped operating room, surgeon and two assistants spy her.

employed in human hospitals. The patient is prepared for the operation with sterile drapes, doctor and nurse wear sterile gowns, and the instruments used are all absolutely sterile. Incidentally, while a large number of cases have to do with comparatively simple bone fractures, much of the surgery is equally as difficult as that in any hospital.

The maternity wards, while a comparatively new feature in animal hospitals, are becoming increasingly popular with dog owners. Here the dog can be brought forth for consultation and exam-

ination during its pregnancy, as well as for the actual delivery, avoiding the anxiety and fuss of a haphazard old-fashioned "home" birth, and assuring its owners that, should any unforeseen complication occur, it will be immediately and properly taken care of. Particularly, of course, in the case of pedigreed dogs, this service is of the utmost importance.

The hospitals aren't strictly for dogs, although these make up the majority of its patients, and cases are turned away nearly every day. They are for all small animals. They frequently have cats,

as well as canaries and other pet birds. One such institution in Victoria recently repaired a broken wing for an owl, and once had as patient a South American honeybear.

These hospitals are fascinating places for the scientifically-minded. One could spend hours just watching, but a mere human feels a little in the way.

As we walk through the waiting-room one almost expects to see a couple of worried-looking canine fathers swapping feeble barks and tapping nervous paws on the table.

Alaska Highway Gateway to B.C.'s Wealth, Says Bill George



Typical of the wild, magnificent beauty of the broad valleys and low hills of northern B.C. is this panorama looking up the Sheslay River, branch of the Taku, north of Telegraph Creek.



Looking across the Sheslay valley, W. B. surveys hills, reports road-along valley walls would be no great problem for engineers. Trees are mostly spruce and hemlock, no fir.



With locked moose antlers, a rare trophy, 1924



Companions of Bill's prospecting days, Guy Lawrence, Stewart telegraph operator, and Albert Deese, Indian guide, outside telegraph line cabin near Tahltan River. Dogs can carry heavy packs about 30 miles a day.



He pulls himself across Nahline River on home-made wire cable. Most rivers are narrow, shallow, easy to bridge.

By ELIZABETH RUGGLES

THERE'S one man in Victoria who would like to have a word in the building of the new Alaska Highway, that is, if the project ever gets past the desks of a harried commission in Ottawa. That man is W. B. George.

Mr. George's qualifications for sticking his finger into this international pie is a knowledge of the interior of British Columbia that can be matched by no one. Bill's name is legend among miners for it was he who, while prospecting in the trapping grounds of the Nass in the Bear Valley, hit upon the great copper vein that was later to prove one of the greatest copper fields on the continent. That was 29 years ago. Now George-Gold-Copper Mountain leads the way in placing this province as the third largest producer of copper in Canada. But that is another story.

As Mr. and Mrs. William B. George, Bill and his wife live quietly and comfortably in a spacious house overlooking the Gorge. Bill has made his for-

tune, and, like many another man in his position, takes an exuberant interest in the cultivation of flowers in his terraced garden. Multiple-hued polyanthus are his chief delight. Life runs easily and smoothly for Bill, who celebrating his 71st birthday next week, still carries erect his sparse, six-foot frame, still has a ready good-humored smile for the dozens of people a day who stop him on the street here with a "Hi to Bill!"

KNOWS "PAY DIRT"

It is an ordinary life until one day Bill, who has as keen a nose as ever you'll find for "pay dirt," scents something new, sees some sample ore that makes his rugged prospector's hands itch to grasp a pick and plunge it into a rocky seam and bring to light the speckled mineral veins that spell riches and fame in any man's language.

More than once, Bill has been unable to resist the eternal lure of the prospector since his retire-

ment in Victoria, has closed up his house, laced up his thick-soled high boots, and headed for the north country which he knows as well as the knuckles on his hand. And while many have traveled by train, or car or airplane over the wilderness country of this province, Bill goes on horseback and on foot, pushing his large frame through the twisted bracken of long-deserted Indian trails, treading skillfully along the paths of animals, eyes always alert for the ledge or crevasse that might bear rich ore.

Any project that will lead to the opening up of the rich mineralized areas of this province, interests Bill. The building of a highway through British Columbia to Alaska bids fair to be the "route to gold" that prospectors have searched for as diligently as Columbus and Magellan sought the "route to India."

Bill has watched the project long before it was first seriously broached in 1938. That year two

Victoria men, J. W. Spencer and A. Dixon, were appointed to the B.C. Yukon-Alaska Highway Commission, which was given a government grant of \$25,000 to inspect and report on the feasibility of such an undertaking. With that kick-off schemes for the international highway have filled the air of federal and provincial legislatures as thick as Cariboo dust. It was mostly talk. Like all great government projects it wasn't until a crisis confronted the nation that the verbal football was converted into anything like a real try for a down.

NEEDED FOR DEFENCE

That crisis has come. Sitting on a hemisphere licked on all sides by power-hungry nations, Canada and the United States have already established joint defence stations, are looking forward to even closer co-operation. The United States' pressing problem is Alaska. A route through the Aleutian Islands brings Seattle 1,800 miles nearer Yokohama than via Honolulu. By airplane to Japan by way of Alaska pilots need make no single hop longer than 900 miles, as compared to 2,400 miles of treacherous open water across the Pacific via Hawaii. Making the American "last frontier" easily accessible to the rest of the United States is a problem that has caused many a headache in Washington, D.C., even as far back as 1930 when an Alaska highway commission investigated the plan, found it was feasible, but pinned a \$20,000,000 price tag on it.

It was too dear for the public purse then. Today with Canada spending between \$3,000,000 and \$4,000,000 a day to rearm, and the U.S. Senate passing appropriation bills for defence totalling \$10,000,000,000 without turning a hair, that \$20,000,000 might not look so formidable.

"And, anyway," says Bill, running a huge, heavy-knuckled hand through his ample white hair, "I don't know as it'll cost that much. They're just guessing at the cost from what they've seen of the territory from the air. Why, you can't get the lay of the land from flying over it in an airplane. You've got to

cover it by foot and horseback, study the rock formations and the vegetation."

We were talking in the living-room of his home, a home abounding in wooden-framed pictures of British Columbia pioneers, and many-shelved cabinets bearing sample ores, neatly tagged, and Indian relics and walrus tusks and whalebone bookends. It breathes history and adventure. Bill got up from his leather-upholstered chair and bent his large frame over a map of northern British Columbia spread out on a table.

KNOWS COUNTRY WELL

"I've been all over this country so often, I could show you where to build the road and it wouldn't cost half that," he grinned. "Why, once when I was prospecting up the Spatz Valley, just the Indian and myself, we never saw another soul for two months. We made good time, too, 62 miles in two days, walking. It would have taken twice that with horses. Best way to travel in the summer though, is with dogs. They can carry heavy packs about 30 miles a day. No trouble, either. They pick up the moose trails and push right through."

With his index finger he indicated on the map the various routes suggested for a road through British Columbia to Alaska. The two main routes, he explained, are the Hazelton route behind the coast mountains, running along the old Telegraph Creek trail, down the Klapan and Stikine Rivers to Teslin Lake, thence on to White Horse and Dawson City; and the other, the Rocky Mountain trench route from Prince George by way of Finlay Forks and Sifton Pass through the Arctic Behring divide to join the Hazelton route before reaching Dawson.

"The first route is shorter, maybe by 200 miles, but after leaving Hazelton you run into heavy snow areas around Telegraph Creek, and that'd be no good for motor travel. A train could get through in the winter months, but you'd never be able to keep it open for cars. The other route through Sifton Pass is in



Flat-bottomed boat carries men and supplies up Stikine River to Telegraph Creek, outskirts of which can be seen in background.

the warm belt between the coast range and the Stikine River. Why, I've been through there in March, the worst winter month, and there's never been more than 15 to 18 inches of snow. It's all flat, open country with only a few high elevations like Sifton Pass, which is 3,000 feet and the Arctic Behring divide at 3,150 feet. The rest is easy. Say, I could ride a horse through all that country with no trouble at all. Nearly all the rivers are narrow and shallow. The rock is mostly soft stuff, too, easy to work.

INVERTED ROUTE FROM GANE

"But it's up to the two governments," Bill reflected with a sly wink. "And it's the one who's got the money will decide which route. If they use the Hazelton route they'd better not follow the old telegraph line road, which was suggested, if they want to open up the game country. When they were putting up the line the Indians purposely headed them off from their game preserves. There are a dozen easy water grades along the Cranberry, Nass and Stikine Rivers west of the old telegraph line that are rich in mining and gaming areas. Bill's ruddy face brightened and he did a rare thing. He lit a cigarette.

years ago Percy Peacock, over here at the Minister of Mines office, brought out a huge gold nugget on a prospect that netted him \$78,000 in gold. I've seen a lead-zinc vein 85 feet wide run up one side of a mountain and down the other. Haskins Mountain it was. But one of the greatest finds in the last 800 years was that of Gilbert LaBine when he discovered uranium deposits up north. That's what they extract radium from.

"Mines are a one-crop harvest, though," Bill continued. "Once they're exhausted they're useless. Out of 1,000 prospects, only one ever becomes a successful mining venture. Why, I've seen old sourdoughs up there year in and year out braving mosquitoes, flies and untold hardships certain that tomorrow or next day will bring them 'pay dirt.'"

Bill's eyes twinkled with the anticipation that only a prospector knows.

"Putting a road through there," he continued, "will open up one of the most mineralized sections in Canada, as well as bring us thousands of dollars in tourist money."

Bill got up to go. "I'm just going to meet a fellow about a little piece of property north of Dease Lake. Sounds like a good prospect. Maybe it'll be another George Copper, eh?" Before I could answer he was gone.

The Ancient One Observes—

The Maiden of Coventry Endureth Forever

By DON CANTELL

AND so it came to pass that Hitt the Spout sent forth Gore the Bulge to scour the Land of Hun in search of one who did possess that which is called a brain.

And when he had searched for many days and nights he came upon an old man who lived far off in the mountains. And he did bring the old man unto Hitt the Spout in triumph saying,

"Master I have found that for which thou seeketh. I beseech thee place yet another cross of iron upon my breast so that all may know of my greatness."

And when he had adorned the huge carcases of Gore the Bulge with yet another cross Hitt the Spout said unto the old man, "What knowest thou of the Land of Eng O Possessor of Grey Matter?"

And the old man replied unto him saying,

"I have heard in the past that in the town of Cov Entry which is within the Land of Eng there dwells a beautiful damsel. This beautiful damsel doth ride forth through the town clad only in the clothing in which she did come into the world. It is said that she hath such beauty that none shall gaze upon her or they shall forever enter the Kingdom of Darkness."

And when Hitt the Spout heard this he sent forth unto Gore the Bulge saying,

"Send forth thy birds of war unto the Town of Cov Entry and bring unto me the beautiful female who doth ride upon a white horse clad only in that which is called the suit of her birthday."

And to the birds of war of the Land of Hun went forth and when they had come high unto the Land of Eng its defenders did turn their weapons upon them and many were brought down to earth. And those that did escape fled back unto the Land of Hun in fear and trembling.

So Hitt the Spout sent forth unto Winst the Church saying,

"Give unto me the beautiful maiden of the Town of Cov Entry and I shall make no other demands upon thee."

But Winst the Church replied unto him saying,

VOID OF SUBSTANCE

"Thy word is as the clothing of the maiden of Cov Entry. Come forth from thy hiding place and we shall greet thee right verily and how."

And when Hitt the Spout heard this he became greatly angered for he knew in his heart that his knees could not withstand the noise of battle so he sent forth his birds of war to destroy the Town of Cov Entry.

And when he had done this evil deed the people of the Town of Cov Entry sent forth unto him saying,

"Truly thou hath destroyed many of our women and children and the spirit of the maiden of Cov Entry and all that it doth mean shall endure forever."

Air Conditioning Used In Poultry Houses

By CERES

Returning recently from the Fraser Valley, where he had been assisting the department's staff, under G. L. Landon, in blood testing poultry flocks for Pullorum disease (formerly known as bacillary white diarrhoea), J. R. Terry, B.C. poultry commissioner, reported that despite the unseasonal cold weather experienced in the last three weeks, the flocks generally were producing a fair average of eggs.

While in the Valley Mr. Terry visited the three big hatcheries where approximately 1,000,000 chicks were hatched this year. The majority of these were sold to the prairies. The principal breeds, Barred Rocks, New Hampshires, Rhode Island Reds, Light Sussex and Jersey Giants are favored there. Some of the establishments have investments of more than \$50,000.

Illustrating the great growth in the population of the Fraser Valley Mr. Terry recalled that 30 years ago, there were no houses at Langley Prairie, there being only a tram station. Now there is a flourishing settlement as large as Duncan, with a big territory surrounding.

While most of the flocks blood tested were those of breeders who were under contract to the hatcheries, there were quite a few private breeders working under the plan.

Extensive use is made of electric lighting by most of the breed-

ers as well as power for water pumping, wood cutting, etc. One poultryman, formerly a naval engineer, has an electric dropping board cleaner. This runs on a track through the pens, and by plugging into a light socket, the machine is operated. The hopper attached to the machine holds about a ton.

Although very ingenious and workable, Mr. Terry thought the cost and upkeep would not justify the general use by breeders. Quite a few of the breeders belong to feed co-operative stores, although the latter do not handle eggs or meat.

Peat moss for pen litter is largely used, and this is still produced in the valley in large quantities. Before production here, all the litter was imported from Germany. The local peat is of superior quality and also cheaper.

One large breeder has installed a steam-heated plant for his hen houses with air conditioning, and the experiment is watched with interest. If successful it is predicted there will be many more hen houses air conditioned shortly.

Most of the places visited were commercial poultry establishments, but there were many people keeping several hundred fowls on the dairy and fruit farms in the valley. Doubts were expressed as to what will happen if feed costs increase, but most of the breeders admit they had received a reasonable labor income for their work.

Successful and Happy on B.C.'s Fertile Lands



Mennonite family J. Thiessen at Cheslatta.



The newly-built house of Dutchman G. Baggerman at Houston—it cost \$450.

By J.K.N.

British Columbia's new settlers—Mennonites, Dutch, Swiss and Sudeten German—are doing well on the land in the interior of the province, according to reports brought to Victoria by several up-country members of the Legislature.

They have worked hard this past season, their crops have been satisfactory, they are optimistic about the future and, above all, they are more than overjoyed to be away from war-torn Europe, where so many of their friends and relatives are facing a bleak winter.

It has not been easy for them. These first few years in a new land. But they have settled down amazingly well, they have learned English, they have done their best to be friendly and neighborly with the English-speaking farmers on adjoining lands. They have sent their children to Canadian schools, they have pledged their support to Canada's war effort.

PLANS FOR INFLUX

The Legislature's land settlement committee is making plans for a great influx of settlers after the war. They feel the bulk of these settlers should be hand-picked British, but they are not against settlers of other nationalities, provided they also are selected with utmost care, almost to the point of snobbishness.

Why is not Vancouver Island represented on this committee? None of the island members, apparently, are doing anything

about the settlers that are bound to come. This island is to contribute a great deal to the future of Canadian agriculture, for it is here that flower seeds and bulbs will grow, one of the few places in the entire country.

Members of the committee are Mark Connolly, chairman, Omeica; Louis LeBourdais, honorary secretary, Cariboo; E. T. Kenney, Skeena; George Murray, Lillooet; H. G. T. Perry, Fort George; Thomas King, Columbia, and Glen Braden, Peace River.

SWISS FAMILIES

In the Smithers district are 21 families of Swiss settlers. One of the leaders of the colony is bearded, bald-headed Conrad Tugnum, once a tourist guide at St. Moritz, where he learned English and managed a large cheese factory.

The Swiss, as everyone knows,

are famous for their cheese and the settlers from Switzerland are manufacturing cheese in central British Columbia with a view to putting it on the Canadian market. If it is as good as the Swiss cheese made by the Glinz family at Sooke's "Woodside Farm," it should go a long way.

The Swiss government helped Tugnum and his colleagues. Each family was given \$1,000 for stock and equipment and to enable them to live until their land became productive.

DUTCH FAMILIES

There are 19 Dutch families settled around Houston, in the Bulkley Valley, between Burns Lake and Smithers. It is flat country, not unlike their native Holland. This group has done extremely well. They have built themselves a church and attend regularly in wagons, spurning

motor cars. They have put up a co-operative creamery at Telkwa.

The Mennonites came in during May and June this year and settled in the Cheslatta Lake country, 50 miles south of Burns Lake and the railway. The land was poor, but by June 7 they had 60 acres ploughed and they have raised fine crops.

There are 25 families in this group—200 persons in all, and they are second and third generation Canadians. They came from southern Saskatchewan with 40 carloads of household effects and farm equipment and so well have they settled the land that other districts are asking for Mennonites.

The Sudeten Germans, in the Peace River country, form the largest group. There are 3,000 there and they have completed the summer's work satisfactorily.

SAANICH CATTLE WITH PUREBREDS AT KAMLOOPS

Cattlemen from many parts of British Columbia are converging this week-end on Kamloops for the annual Christmas Fat Stock Show and Sale, which will open tomorrow and continue until Thursday evening.

Southern Vancouver Island is represented by Jim Turner, who has seven or eight head of Shorthorns from his Saanich ranch with him. He left for the interior city on Wednesday with his son Jim and daughter Olive, who always give invaluable assistance to their dad at every livestock show.

Hon. Dr. K. C. Macdonald, Minister of Agriculture, and Dr. Wallace R. Gunn, provincial livestock commissioner, are others from Victoria at the show and sale.

G. A. Luyat, district agriculturalist at Kamloops, reports there will be 300 prime market cattle, 1,000 fine market lambs and 250 of the best bacon hogs.

CALL FOR BIDS

Auctioneer Mat. Hassen will call for bids at the basic price (that day's market price on bacon hogs 135 to 175 pounds, dressed). The bidding will go on from there. The price at which the hog is knocked down will be its basic price. If it should be a premium hog, one weighing from 140 to 170 pounds, dressed, and of the proper type, the premium will be paid by the buyer. If it be in one of the lesser categories, a deduction ranging from 50 cents up per head will be made. In the final analysis, the producer will get the basic price, plus the premium of competitive bidding, plus the premium due because of classification or less the deduction because of failure to meet the standards set by rail-grading.

Roy C. Trimble of Vancouver, grading inspector, Dominion Department of Agriculture, will give a demonstration of rail-grading during the stockmen's meeting in the Plaza Hotel Monday evening.

PROGRAM

The program of the show and sale calls for weighing of the cattle on Sunday forenoon, and a judging competition—beef, lambs and swine—between 3 and 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

On Monday J. A. (Jack) Byers, western supervisor, Dominion Department of Agriculture production service, will judge the beef cattle; P. H. Moore, superintendent of Colony Farm, Essondale, will judge the swine, and William MacGillivray, district agriculturalist at Salmon Arm, will judge the sheep. During the day there will also be junior showmanship competitions in beef and lambs. On Monday evening there will be a stockmen's meeting in the Plaza Hotel.

On Tuesday, Auctioneer Hassen will sell the livestock, beginning with beef at 9.30, lambs at 2 and swine at 3.30. At 6 the stockmen will be guests of honor at a banquet arranged by Kamloops Junior Chamber of Commerce, and at 9.30 at the annual firemen's ball.

Many Hardy Annuals May Now Be Planted

Every time that nature produces annual flowers in our gardens from self-sown seed, she demonstrates that annuals can be grown from seed sown in the fall.

The list of annuals which can self-seed may vary in different sections of the country, but it is probable that annual larkspur and cornflowers (centaurea cyanus) will be on the list almost anywhere.

These and other subjects may be grown from seed sown in the fall, and many authorities advise that larkspurs be so grown wherever possible. Plants from fall sowing get started much earlier in the spring, and they flower almost as soon as indoor plants, besides being much larger and more vigorous.

The list of subjects may safely include all annuals which usually self-sow in your neighborhood, and any other varieties which are hardy, and have small, hard seeds with which you are willing to take a chance for the sake of earlier plants. Large, soft seeds, even of hardy varieties, may decay in the wet ground, but the hard seeds will be safe if protected from being washed out of the soil by rains or injury in some other way.

Nature is always lavish, and much of the seed she sows, no doubt, is lost. With purchased seed one will probably wish to be more careful.

A seed bed surrounded by a wooden curb is an excellent place to sow fall annuals. A cold frame will do as well, and many sow seeds in the open garden, where experience has shown drainage is good. If seeds are sown in rows, which can be marked, it is easy to check results and protect the seedlings when they appear.

Sow the seed thinly, mixing small seed with dry sand to help scatter it, and do not sow much deeper than you would in the spring. Many gardeners cover the row with a shallow layer of sand after sowing. In a seed bed, or cold frame, after the ground has frozen a light mulch of leaves may be placed over the bed to keep the frost in. This



SHIRLEY POPPIES, BACHELOR BUTTONS AND LARKSPUR MAKE HANDSOME BOUQUETS OF ANNUALS.

mulch should be removed before the seeds sprout in the spring.

Annuals which are usually successful from fall sowing include alyssum, snapdragons, calceola, calendula, calliopsis, candytuft, centaurea cyanus, clarkia, cosmos, eschscholzia, euphorbia, gypsophila, larkspur, lupin, nicotiana, petunia, annual phlox, annual poppies and sweet peas.

Conditions in the spring are usually fine for transplanting and plants may be moved from the seed bed to the border about the time one would be sowing seed in the spring. The fall sown plants are not soft like those grown indoors and receive little or no check from transplanting.

Manitobans Buy Poultry Ranch

The old Reade farm at Cowichan Station, not far from Duncan, has been taken over by Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Beer, who recently arrived on the island from Winnipeg.

They will establish a poultry business, specializing in Barred Plymouth Rock, R.O.P. stock and supplying of males, eggs and chicks.

From some of the best-known blood lines in Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan, Mr. Beer selected his foundation stock.

Mr. Beer has been connected with the poultry business practically all his life and for the last eight years was Dominion government R.O.P. inspector for Manitoba, with headquarters at Winnipeg.

British Lands

Of the land area of Great Britain, 21,255,000 acres are used for grazing, 9,250,000 acres are arable land, and 1,950,000 acres are forest lands.

NORTH AMERICAN GUERNSEY CATTLE IMPORTANT NOW

None of the outstanding Guernsey herds from the Island of Guernsey were evacuated to England before the Nazi invasion, according to a letter recently received by Karl B. Musser, secretary-treasurer of the American Guernsey Cattle Club, from Robert F. Ling, secretary of the English Guernsey Cattle Society. Mr. Ling said in his letter to Mr. Musser: "It is a matter of deep regret to us all that none of the cattle were evacuated to this country. We did have some half dozen animals arrive here well before any idea of invasion was mooted, and these sold at Reading on July 17. . . . This then represented the last consignment from Guernsey and the remainder of the island stock was never rescued."

WELFARE UNKNOWN

This disproves numerous rumors that all the best herds were removed from the island before it fell into German hands. Those breeders on the island who had an opportunity to go to England refused to leave their herds and since the island was taken over it has been impossible to obtain any news from Guernsey as to the welfare of the breed and the breeders.

There has been much speculation as to whether or not cattle on the island will be slaughtered for meat and the breed decimated. North American breeders have offered to help replace the animals on Guernsey and restore the breed. Guernseys in this country far outnumber those on the island and North American breeders are not dependent upon island importations. The breed is being kept pure through its registry association on this continent and if the opportunity arises North American breeders will be well able to restock the island.

Frameworking of Fruit Trees

By E. R. HALL

For one reason or another the fruitgrower frequently finds it desirable to work over a fully-grown tree to some other variety. The removal and replanting of a tree is a costly process and should not be done unless the tree is very old and diseased.

The usual method in top-working has been to cut back branches to within a short distance of the main stem and insert scions in only the ends of cut-back branches. When this method is followed, extremely vigorous new growth results owing to the preponderance of the roots and little fruit-producing wood will be forthcoming for some years. As much as 10 years, according to variety, may be required before the tree returns to profitable cropping.

How may a tree be worked over to a new variety with the least loss of cropping life? The answer would seem to be by frame-working as developed first in Tasmania. This system of bark grafting was applied to a Dr. Jules Guyot pear tree at the Experimental Station, Saanichton, on March 30, 1939. The tree selected had been planted in 1914. All lateral shoots and spurs were first removed leaving only the bare framework of the tree with individual branches being cut off after narrowing down to about a half an inch in diameter.

END OF MARCH

Bark grafting must be done when the bark lifts freely. Usually, with pears, this will be toward the end of March. Long scions are used having from seven to nine buds each. These are placed about eight inches apart and arranged around the branch conforming closely to the original arrangement of laterals and spurs. By the use of these long scions, vigorous growth is reduced or only occurs from the upper buds, the lower buds form-

ing fruit buds or short fruiting branches in the first season.

The scion is prepared by first making a sloping cut about one and a half inches in length at the basal end, followed by a very shallow cut at the side just sufficient to expose the cambium. The scion is then turned over and a much shorter and shallower cut than the first is made. These cuts give a wedge-shape to the basal end of the scion.

To receive the scion, a cut or rather two cuts resembling an inverted L are made in the branch. The longer, or lower, cut is not made in line with, but at an angle to, the axis of the limb at an unnatural angle. The top cut is made obliquely into the bark thus enabling the scion to enter more easily beneath the bark and to fit snugly into position. The scion is held firmly in position by a flat-headed nail of small gauge and five-eighths of an inch in length which is driven right home through the bark and scion into the wood. Nails of stout gauge tend to split the scion. It is desirable to place scions where possible immediately below wounds caused by the removal of lateral shoots or spurs. Scions so placed assist in the rapid healing of the wounds as the sealing of the graft seals the wound. In sealing this type of graft it is especially important to insure that water cannot enter between the scion and limb.

ONE SEASON

Space does not permit of a more detailed description of the technique employed. It is enough to say that with pears this frameworking method of grafting has been highly successful. About 95 per cent of the long Bartlett scions bark grafted on the Dr. Jules Guyot tree in March, 1939, grew. This tree yielded 100 pounds of No. 1 pears after heavy thinning to relieve the rather slender growth of its excessive weight of fruit. There is every reason to believe that maximum production will be attained after one more season. This means

only one season of the cropping life of the tree has been completely lost in the operation.

In frame-working a large tree between 200 and 300 scions may be used. Reasonable care must be exercised in the preparation and fitting of scions if weak unions are to be avoided.

The time required in frame-working is possibly the only disadvantage this method has when compared with top-working. However, this factor is more than compensated for by the quick return of the tree to normal cropping.

Canada Farm Products Show Large Increase

The value of total exports of Canadian produce for the first nine months of 1940 amounted to \$860,000,000 as compared with \$636,000,000 for the corresponding period of 1939, a gain of over 35 per cent.

Exports of agricultural products amounted to \$285,000,000 compared with \$218,000,000 in the corresponding nine months of 1939, a gain of approximately 31 per cent, says the latest issue of the Current Review of Agricultural Conditions in Canada.

Exports of Canadian farm products in August and September, 1940, were above those of the corresponding months of 1939. While exports of grains, fruits and vegetables in September, 1940, were \$5,000,000 less than in September, 1939, this decline was more than made up by a gain of nearly \$7,000,000 in exports of animals and animal products.

LOST MARKETS

Increased exports of bacon and hams, cheese and eggs, are chiefly responsible for the gain in total value of farm products. Declines in vegetables and grains are the result of the loss of European

markets, and exports for the remainder of these products are likely to be less than in the latter part of 1939.

Markets for Canadian farm products in the United Kingdom depend upon the policy laid down by the British government and this policy is continually subject to change as military and political events affect the position of the United Kingdom. A wide variety and range of factors must be taken into consideration, including the availability of foreign exchange, the availability of shipping and the most effective use made of cargo space, the necessity of countering enemy propaganda and enemy activities in other countries, the maintenance of an adequate diet, the availability and use of storage facilities in the United Kingdom as well as in other parts of the world, weather conditions, the effects of enemy air action and so on. On the basis of present information, it would seem that for these farm products on which no definite agreements have been made, little increase can be expected in export demand from the United Kingdom in the near future.

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Willie Winkle

The Substitute Who Was a Favorite With His Class

THIS is the season for bad colds and that means many children are absent from school. Teachers also get colds and have to stay home and take medicine. That means that substitutes appear in many classrooms.

Substitutes are usually not the most popular people in the world and I think some children try to make life as miserable as possible for them.

This week, however, we had a substitute who really gave us a thrill. He was a man and a big one. We just looked like midgets alongside him. He was pleasant, too, and told us stories after we got through our lessons.

"I know what most boys and girls, particularly the boys, think about when a substitute appears," said our substitute. "They just want to raise all the rumpus they can and be a nuisance. I'll never forget the time I went to teach school in the mountains of British Columbia. There were some big boys in that school and they weren't afraid of my size. I suppose they wanted to see how far they could go. One big boy came in and sat in a seat with a girl and pushed her off the seat on to the floor. I guess most of you know how that is done, but it's not a very nice trick. I walked to the back of the room and came up by the boy's seat. I took him by his braces and lifted him. It's a wonder his braces didn't break. He was a very surprised boy and I never had another minute's trouble with him.

"As a matter of fact we became great friends. He taught me how to snare wild rabbits. We would set a box up on end with a stick acting as a prop and then put some food inside. The rabbit would knock down the prop and the box would fall on top of him. We went shooting pheasant and then one day we were told that a big black bear was causing a lot of concern, killing dogs and other small animals. Among my students was a husky young boy who was a refugee from Sudetenland. He could speak very little English and it was quite hard for him to learn his lessons. When he heard about the bear he got a gun and went out and shot it."

"Come now we must get along with our science," our substitute said.

IT ISN'T HARD to study with a teacher like that so we hustled through and then we heard the story of the elk that ate itself to death.

"Near where I lived the men cut ties for the railway," said our substitute. "There were horses that hauled the ties down to the railway tracks and a big elk used to stay near the barns to see if he could get a little extra food. It was strange though, the minute the hunting season came in the elk would start for the mountains and stay away until the season closed. Then he would come back and join the horses around the barn. It was strange how he knew. One day the elk got into the barn and started eating oats and other grain that he found. He just stuffed himself like a lot of small boys do when they get around the table at Christmas. But the poor elk couldn't handle his food like a boy and he just dropped dead.

"Then one day we were going up the mountain looking for goats and winter was coming on. Ahead, we saw a little greyish pup and wondered what it was doing up there. It turned out to be a baby coyote, whose coat was turning white. You know many animals' fur changes color with the season so as to make it harder for its enemies to find. The coyote's fur is white like snow in winter and a tan in the summer to blend with the coloring of the landscape. This coyote wasn't very big and he couldn't run very fast but he was awfully hard to catch. I never saw anything dodge like it could."

"Perhaps we will get along with some composition now," said our substitute and we did our work very well and he was pleased with us.

ON THE COAST here we miss a great deal of sport in the winter time," our substitute said later. "It is nice to have the mild weather but there is something bracing about the clear, bright, crisp air of the mountains. My school friends taught me a great deal that winter, how

to ski and walk with snow shoes, skate and toboggan.

"One afternoon after school the class arranged a skating party on a nearby lake. I thought it would be pretty cold but the children never seemed to mind it as long as the temperature didn't go too far below zero. The ice on the lake was between five and six feet thick so there was no danger of anyone going through. People in motor cars drove across the lake at a very fast speed. The highway ran around the lake but the drivers took a short cut across the ice. At first it seemed rather strange but I soon got used to seeing the cars, with chains on their tires scooting across the lake.

"The boys lit a big bonfire and they had a big tin full of water. We had hotdogs just like we have down here in the summer time at the beach. My, they did taste good! The skating was lovely. You could go as far as you wanted. It is much better than skating in an indoor arena, although that is better than no skating at all. After a good skate in the cool air you feel wonderful and you're almost ready to explode with pep."

Next day when we had science we had some references to gold and our substitute had a story for us about that.

"Every two weeks in the summertime our class had a hike," our substitute said. "We would go to different places. One Saturday we decided to visit a sandbar in a river where some men were trying to pan gold. We borrowed some of the men's pans to try to get some gold flakes. It is quite an experience scooping up a panful of water and sand and wishing it about until you have got rid of everything but a few grains of sand. Then you look to see if you have some gold. We didn't get very much and the men told us that some days they washed for eight hours and perhaps got only 35 cents worth of gold. Other days they might get \$5 worth. None of the boys took up the work while I was there."

Make Gifts for Air Raid Children



FOR some time Frances Rowbottom of 1684 Elgin Road, belonged to a Junior Auxiliary and did her bit sewing and knitting. One day she thought: "Why can't I form a sewing club of my own and work for the younger air raid victims?" She spoke to several girl friends and they agreed to meet once a week at Frances's home and to plan a program of work for the winter. In the above picture Frances

is shown with three of her friends at their sewing session last Thursday. From left to right they are as follows: Nancy Humphreys, 12; Frances, 11; Rhoda Mowat, 14, and Mary Humphreys, 17. The fifth girl, Yvonne Davidson, 12, was sick and was not able to attend.

This busy sewing circle has sent its first parcel of gifts to the air raid victims. Sleeping bags, night dresses, bonnets, sweater sets, mittens, dresses,

underwear and dressed dolls were included in the parcel. Now the girls are busy getting articles made for their second parcel.

Frances's mother buys the material for most of the dresses and cuts them out. The girls do what sewing they can at their afternoon session, have tea and then take their work home and complete it.

The dolls shown in the above picture were donated by Mrs. R. Eaton and dressed by the girls.

A Way Out

A little boy had been very rude to his mother, and had been sent to his bedroom as a punishment. After a time his father went to see what he was doing, and found him writing a letter.

"Is that a letter to Mummy saying you're sorry?" said the culprit's father.

"If you must know," was the reply, "I'm writing to the bishop to get a divorce from both of you."

The Bottle Club

Have you heard of the International Bottle Club? Its members are scattered all over the world and declare they have launched the first truly international hobby, by the "free" exchange of correspondence carried in bottles by wind, waves and ocean currents.

Fourteen years ago the club

was started by an Australian, Colonel E. P. Bailey, after he had prepared hundreds of messages in a dozen languages and scattered a few each day in bottles from the deck of a ship traveling from Vancouver and Victoria to Sydney, New South Wales. His messages were answered by Americans, Argentines, Japanese, Chinese, even by residents on the paradise isle of Bali.

One bottle, picked up near San Francisco, was launched again with an added message, retrieved at Lima, retrieved again at Montevideo and finally dashed itself ashore at Charleston, having completed a circuit of South America.

Already the International Bottle Club has furnished valuable data to scientists concerning world wind drifts and ocean currents. Bottles deliberately launched by Polar expeditions to Antarctica, for instance, always take a year to reach South America, giving a good idea of the ocean's speed. South Sea bottles invariably travel toward Canada, and the Gulf Stream has been proved faster than surrounding waters.

A British prisoner of war in Germany eluded his guards for a few seconds and slipped a bottle into the Rhine. It contained a message to his loved ones, addressed to the British Consul wherever it should land.

Along it bobbed, bound for Blighty. The bottle traveled via Kiel to Russia, and two months later the news reached England. On the shores of the Gulf of Finland a peasant had picked it up and, in puzzlement, had taken it to the local police station. Thence its message travelled through three state departments to the British Consulate in Leningrad—and through to a worried little woman in the Midlands, who heard with joy the tidings that her son was safe.

Not long ago an Austrian writer longed to tell the outside world the burning truth about the horrors suffered by his country under Nazi rule. One moonless night, with a covering message in three languages, his despatch was slipped in a bottle thrown into the Danube. The waves fulfilled their work well, for the message was found, published in a Turkish newspaper, and quoted all over the world.—Tit-Bits.

Wanted It Delivered

A small boy out with his mother was given a sixpence to put in the collecting box to help buy a Spitfire.

The mother walked on, but missed the boy. Looking back, she noticed he was still standing by the man with the box.

"Come along, hurry up," she called.

"Not yet," said the boy. "I haven't got my Spitfire yet."

Uncle Ray

Dams Give Power Supply

INDIANS knew about Niagara Falls long before white men reached the area between Lake Erie and Lake Ontario. In the Iroquois tribe, the falls were called by a name meaning "Thundering Water."

The noise of Niagara Falls well may be compared to thunder. There are many other falls, some of them higher than Niagara, but nowhere else on this continent is so much sound made by water tumbling over a natural cliff.

Some of the Indians thought the white men who sailed to their land were "visitors from heaven." They learned later that this was not the case.

Yet the whites were destined to prove their skill in a certain kind of "magic." They were to find ways to obtain power from falling water. They were to place giant wheels below Niagara Falls, and these wheels were to play a part in making electricity.

In the same way, dozens of other waterfalls have been put to work. The fast-turning wheels make it possible to capture electric power, and the electricity is used to light homes and to move the wheels of factories.

Not content with waterfalls supplied by nature, men have built dams to make new waterfalls. Some of these produce more water power than Niagara Falls.

A strong wall can be set up in the bed of a river. It makes a dam which holds back the river water up to a certain height.

A high dam brings about a big



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fall of water. This water has enough force to turn a turbine, and electric power is produced. Boulder Dam is one of the most famous in the world. It stretches across the Black Canyon of the Colorado River. At this place the river forms a border between the states of Arizona and Nevada.

Besides Boulder Dam, the United States has a number of other important dams, and so does Canada. They not only supply low-cost electricity but also give water to large stretches of farm land. In some sections, deserts have been made to bloom with the help of irrigation systems leading out from dammed-up rivers.

The famous River Shannon in Ireland has been dammed. Thanks to this dam, which has a height of 100 feet, the Irish now have about 200,000 electric horsepower which they did not possess before.

Geese and Swans Provided Quill Pens

BEFORE this I have spoken of ancient people who wrote with pen and ink, and I have told something about the way early ink was made with water, soot and a sticky juice.

Now comes the question, "What pens were used?"

The earliest pens are believed to have been made from reeds. One end of a reed was cut to a point, and when the point was dipped in ink, it served fairly well as a pen.

The ancient Greeks and Romans used the "stylus" as a kind of pen. With it letters were cut on a surface covered with wax. A bronze pen is one of the relics found amid the ruins of Pompeii, the city which was buried in ashes 1,861 years ago.

Quill pens are known to date back at least 1,300 years. They were made from feathers taken from large birds.

All through the Middle Ages in Europe, quill pens were employed for writing. For the most part, the feathers were taken from geese, but some came from crows and swans. The large end of the quill was sharpened.

Although metal pens of one kind or another were known long

ago, they did not become popular until modern times.

An early form of steel pen was a tube several inches long with a point at one end. The point was split to make the metal bend more easily when it was pressed on paper.

Later came steel "nibs," or "pen points." They were made in such a way that they could be fastened on holders.

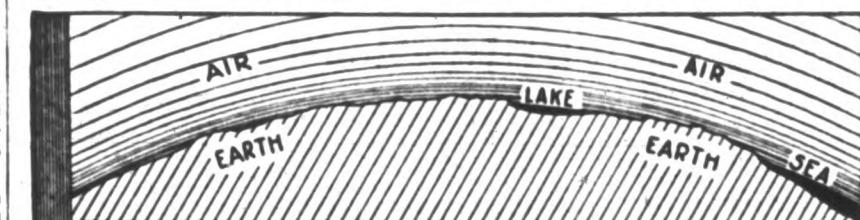
Two Englishmen — John Mitchell and Joseph Gillott — were pioneers in producing steel pen points. They brought the invention before the public 113 years ago.

The old quill pen did not go out of fashion as soon as steel pen points were placed on the market. For more than half a century after that, quills played a part in writing. The grandpapas of some readers of this column may be able to tell of the time when quill pens were common.

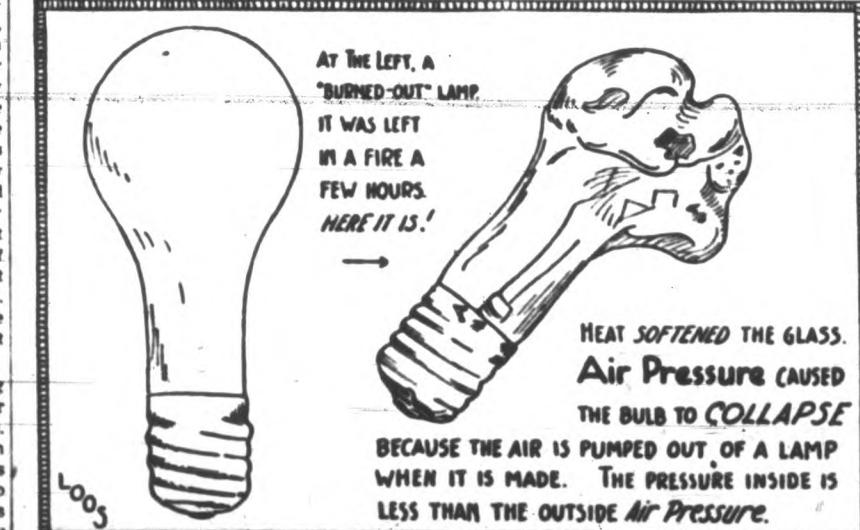
Today millions of steel pen points are turned out each month. The average yearly output has been estimated at 1,500,000,000.

At some future time, I plan to tell the story of the fountain pen. A good fountain pen is far better for writing a letter than a "dip pen."

Weight of Atmosphere Causes Air Pressure



THE ATMOSPHERE EXTENDS SEVERAL HUNDRED MILES ABOVE THE EARTH'S SURFACE. GRAVITY HOLDS OVER 1/2 OF THE AIR WITHIN 3 1/2 MILES OF THE EARTH. THE WEIGHT OF THE AIR CAUSES AIR PRESSURE.



AT THE LEFT, A "BURNED-OUT" LAMP. IT WAS LEFT IN A FIRE A FEW HOURS. HERE IT IS!

HEAT SOFTENED THE GLASS. Air Pressure CAUSED THE BULB TO COLLAPSE

BECAUSE THE AIR IS PUMPED OUT OF A LAMP WHEN IT IS MADE. THE PRESSURE INSIDE IS LESS THAN THE OUTSIDE Air Pressure.

AN EXPERIMENT: (USE FUNNEL OR PIPE)



TIE A THIN SHEET OF RUBBER OVER LARGE OPENING. THEN DRAW OUT AIR. THE RUBBER IS FORCED INTO THE BOWL BY AIR PRESSURE.



Today our artist gives diagrams to illustrate several facts of science which have to do with air pressure. At the top we have a suggestion of the surface of the earth and the air above it. Air is made up of gases, chiefly nitrogen and oxygen. At sea level a cubic foot of air weighs a little more than one ounce. At higher levels, air becomes lighter and lighter. The weight of the air causes pressure. At sea level this pressure amounts to about 14 pounds and 11 ounces. The pressure of air is all around us. There is pressure even inside a person; if that were not so, the outside pressure would tend to crush him. Air pressure is less on the top of a mountain. That is why water boils at a lower temperature there than at sea level. Air is pumped out of light bulbs to keep the thin wire, or filament, inside them from being burned out. It is a common practice these days for a "dead gas" to be put into the bulbs to take the place of the air.

The Red Fox

We rode up the river trail. The trees were all aglow. We rode up the river trail When the sun was low.

The purple mountains looked not far. The neat fields held the light. We rode up the river trail When all the land was bright.

So bright it was that when we saw

A red fox on the trail, His coat was vivid as a flame, His tail a comet's tail.

He moved across the river trail Unafraid and slow. He was descended from the sun, He was the sun's hot glow.

He stepped into a tangled growth Beside the river's shore, The shadows took him then and he

Was like a fire no more.

—Judy Van Der Veer.

If You Please

A woman was introduced to Anton Rubinstein, the Russian pianist, and exclaimed: "Oh, Mr. Rubinstein, I am so glad to meet you! All the seats are sold and I have tried in vain to get a seat for your recital. Haven't you a seat you could let me take?"

"There is only one seat at my disposal, madam," Rubinstein replied to her, "but you are welcome to that if you will take it. At the piano!"

Color-Blind

ONE person out of every 55 is color-blind and cannot tell red from green, and one in 50 confuses green and brown. Very rare are the totally color-blind to whom the world appears like a photograph in black and white. The pastel-shade color-blind, much more prevalent among men than women, cannot distinguish between the lighter shades of pink and yellow and blue and green.

Color-blindness is sometimes called "Daltonism" because, although it was known for centuries, the first to study the subject was John Dalton, the famous chemist, who in 1794 published an account of his own and analyzed its peculiarities. For days he went about in his scarlet gown of a Doctor of Civil Laws at Oxford happily unconscious of its effect on those around him. And when asked what color gown he thought he was wearing, he pointed to an evergreen.

Color-blindness is a defect which disqualifies applicants for a variety of jobs such as engine drivers and taxi drivers, but it may prove of use in war.

Color-blind airmen have proved they can detect camouflaged guns that normal eyes cannot see. It may be that a type of camouflage designed to deceive the color-blind will have to be used to hide guns, ammunition depots, hangars and other strategic material from them.

Canada's Sea-going Soldiers Defend Newfoundland's Icy Shores



A rough and rocky coastline alone won't protect Newfoundland from invasion, but it makes it tough for invaders and defenders alike to land. Here Canadian soldiers are towed ashore by small Royal Canadian Navy power launch after being ferried for duty to this unidentified Newfoundland point by Royal Canadian Navy destroyers.



A MAN AND HIS DOG—Sharing with his master the hardships of war, this puppy journeyed to Newfoundland when Canadian troops were transported to the historic colony.



FUTURE GUARDIANS OF SEA—Prospective gunners for the Royal Canadian Navy are receiving intensive schooling in gunnery at an east coast naval school. Recruits drill, top left, on ship's anti-aircraft gun, while prospective gunners, top right, receive instructions on various gun parts. Learning how to handle a Vickers machine gun are the students, bottom left, while gunnery officers listen with interest, bottom right, as a petty officer instructs them in the use of anti-aircraft guns.



AROUND THE CLOCK AT TRAINING SCHOOL—Future Royal Canadian Air Force pilots put in busy days at the 26 elementary flying training schools of the British Commonwealth air training plan. These schools are the first stage of actual flying training. The day begins the moment the sun comes over the horizon. Roused from warm "double-decker" beds in barracks, student pilots are given time to shave, dress, sit down to bacon and eggs. Then comes inspection. The primary training planes are wheeled out to the flight line, then with parachutes dangling behind, students and instructors waddle out to the machines assigned to them. A last few words of instruction from flying instructor and student is soaring into the blue, watched by other students waiting their turn to fly. There is some drill, not a little of "skull practice" in the ground instruction school, but there is time before the day's end for a stroll with the girl friend and a soda or two before lights out.



R.A.F. HEROES HERE—Young English airman, left, has a submarine, two Messerschmitts to his credit, holds the Distinguished Flying Cross. The next was downed twice in four days in France while strafing German troops. He won the Distinguished Flying Medal. Dark-haired youth, centre, is officially credited with destroying the double aqueduct over the vital Dortmund-Ems canal. Next is a Canadian Fit.-Lieut. O. R. Donaldson of Revelstoke, B.C. D.F.C. ribbons can be seen under wings of each flier. All are stationed at Port Albert, Ontario.



THE LONG, LONG TRAIL—Driving wide concrete roads through virgin soil is a heavy job, and the arrival of a mobile canteen, with hot tea, food, cigarettes makes a welcome break. The men pictured here belong to the Canadian Road-making Unit in England. They are all expert concrete and construction workers who left good jobs in Canada to do their bit. Here they line up for tea from a mobile canteen.